Bristol Me.
Sept. 1, 1897.

My Dear Mr. Collins:

I have not been altogether idle since the convention at Dover, although I really can't show much as the result of my work.

I have collected whenever I had the chance here at home, and have named, or tried to name, as many as possible, but have not been so successful as might be, in the last department. To come down to actual numbers, I have three dozen specimens including a few liverworts, and have named about one quarter. A few of the specimens are sterile, but looked so very peculiar that I was led to take them. Sometime soon I

will send to you duplicates of all the specimens, and the drawings I have made, but I wish to carry the latter with me to Brunswick, as evidences of having used the microscope, that Prof. Lee lent me, to good advantage.

I find the greatest difficulty in using the smaller mosses, I am far from skillful in the cutting of sections, and the cross-sections of leaves often times completely floor me. Then too there is some difficulty in the terms used in describing the plants. Could you give me a hint as to what the difference in appearance would be in the teeth of the peristome of plants having say 16 seperate, or 8 bigeminate, or 8 teeth divided into segments or clefts?

Also how do you manipulate a capsule or peristome so as to show the inner part of a double peristome? Some of these things bother me considerably, and take up my time so that I do not make very rapid progress in naming my specimens.

I shall return to college a week from Monday, and shall have to return my compound microscope at the same time so my study for the year is about over. However I shall try to buy, beg, or borrow, a microscope again next summer and continue my work.

The trip to Mt Saddleback had to be abandoned, so I shall loose the opportunity to collect there, but hope to do some work at Brunswick next spring, before college closes.

Well, it is time for me

to mail this, and I must close. I will send you the specimens in about a month if I can, and then will give you a little more complete report of what work I have done,

Yours very truly.

Edward B. Chamberlain

Sept. 1. - - 16 alternate, 8 bigeminate 8 teeth divided into segments or cleft - How do you see inner peristome? - Sadelle Lake trip

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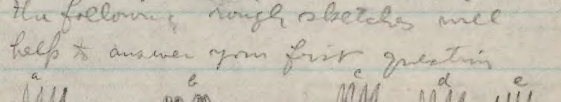
Pow. Sept. 3, 1897

Dear Mr. Chamberlain:

Yours of Sept. 1 came duly to hand. We were very glad to hear from you. I will try to answer your questions but if I do not succeed in making the matter clear please let me know and I will try again. Perhaps the following rough sketches will help to answer your first question



Notice that in a & b each open space runs ~~into~~ to base this showing 4 teeth here, while in c, d & e the alternate spaces do not extend quite to base thus showing 2 teeth each.

To see inner peristome cut off top of de-operculate capsule just below peristome and then divide the peristome ring into quarters

mount these specimens so that ~~when~~ ~~looks~~ the inside is uppermost and examined with compound micro. In ~~many~~ some nurses the peristome teeth are sensitive to moisture. In ~~which~~ this case these can generally be seen to much better advantage as follows: Cut off top of capsule just below peristome (as before stated) then stand the rim of teeth on glass slide so as to look down directly on top of it with the microscope. Draw ~~off~~ the water from specimen with blotting paper and keep watch through microscope. Usually within a few seconds the teeth of outer peristome will reflex (more or less) and the inner peristome (if present) can be seen within. The best results are usually obtained ~~[illegible]~~ by the first method however

Bristol Me.
Sept 12, 1897.

Dear Mr. Collins:

Your letter was received several days ago, but I have been very busy of late, and have neglected to reply. The sketches of the differences in the peristome proved very helpful, and were just what I wanted. I have 52 envelops of mosses now including three named specimens sent me by Mrs. Stevens. The other day while tramping over a bog, I found what I think is a sphagnum in fruit. I got two envelops full, and also some in another place that looked like it, but I have kept them separate. I enclose two specimens of the sphagnum, if it is that. My number is

47. Plant came from a swamp near Bristol. To-morrow I leave for Brunswick, as college opens Tuesday, hence I shall be unable to forward you samples of my other mosses until about Thanksgiving. I hope to do some collecting in Brunswick this fall.

In regard to the Saddleback trip: Fernald was unable to leave, and I could not very conveniently, although Knowlton wanted me to go very much. I think that the whole trip was given up, though Knowlton may have gone on his own account.

Hoping that you may be able to do something with the sphagnum enclosed, and thanking you very much for your kindness in

answering my questions, I am
Yours very truly,
Edw. B. Chamberlain.
Bristol, Me.

r. Box 89.
Brunswick, Me.

Bristol Maine,
November 25/97

My Dear Mr. Collins:

I have at last got ready to send you duplicates of the mosses which I collected last summer. With this letter I send a few drawings which I made while trying to analyze some of the specimens. I did not have my microscope after the middle of September, and did not have the opportunity to look at nearly all the specimens collected. I think that there are quite a few duplicates among them, and I also am quite sure that the two sphagnums, No 48, and 49, are the same as the one I sent you in September, No 47. I think.

I may have made some mistake in the numbers however, and have sent on of those which I send to-day. I collected a few which I thought at the time liverworts, but they would not be liverworts; some were lichens I think.

I wish that you would criticise the drawings and the specimens, and tell me wherein I can improve in any respect. It is such new work for me that I have no idea how to proceed in many ways, and I shall be very glad of any hints that you can give. In a few cases I have thought that I named the specimen, and in others I could get only the generic name.

Mr Stevens of Cambridge very kindly sent me

specimens of Splachnum ampullaceum, Dicranum undulatum, and Mnium longifolia. And has also identified a bit of Fontinalis for me. I have sent to her about twenty specimens, and hope to send more soon.

At Brunswick this fall I collected eight or ten new specimens but did not get time to do so very large an amount of work. For as you may perhaps know, there are a good many things to do in college outside from regular work. Next spring I shall have a little more available time, and shall do as much collecting as I can, and in the summer hope

to be able to borrow a microscope, or perhaps to purchase one. At any rate, I am not done studying the mosses by any means.

I hope that you will be able to make something out of the specimens which I send you, and if you desire any more information about any one of them I will do my best to give it to you. I hope that we may see one another at the Botanical Association next year.

Yours very truly,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Bowdoin College,
Brunswick, Maine

Nov 30, 1897.

Dear Mr. Collins.

I am very glad that you received the mosses in good condition. You need be in no hurry to return the sketches. I shall probably have no use for them until next summer vacation.

Suit your convenience in every respect about examining the specimens. I may not be able to study again for some time. But I shall collect right along.

Yours very truly,
Edw. B. Chamberlain

Brunswick Me.
Mar. 11, 1898.

Dear Mr. Collins:

I received your letter with the drawings yesterday, and am ever so much obliged to you for your trouble in looking them over. Next summer I shall make a study of these same mosses, and, having a means to check my results, I hope to get a good knowledge of them, and a little more skill in identifying.

Next season I will also do my best to get more of Hypnum alpestre as you wish. I can usually tell by the locality that I have on the packages, or by the looks of the moss, about

the locality from which it came.

As a rule, my memory for places is very good indeed, and, together with my other notes, I am quite sure that I can find it.

Thanks very much for your notes about the sketches. It was new work for me, that I was afraid that you could make nothing out of them. I have already collected five or six mosses as a beginning of this season's work, and hope to do considerable this spring and summer.

Yours very truly,

Edw B. Chamberlain.

Box 89.

Brunswick, Me. ~~Nov 11~~ 1898

Dear Mr. Collins.

Your card about the Trusses received. Thanks for the additional names. Round Pond is in the town of Bristol. It is a small village about 3 miles from my home but still within the town limits.

Yours very truly,
E. B. Chamberlain.

PROVIDENCE, R.I.

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Mr. J. F. Collins.
126 East Avenue.
Providence
R. I.

Bristol Me.
July 20, 1898.

Dear Mr. Collins.

Will you please answer a few questions about the enclosed specimen of moss. I send only a bit now but will give you more later. First does it belong in the section headed, in Barnes Key, "Pleurocarpi. Capsule on a very short lateral branch"; or does it belong among those having the fruit terminal?

Next does it have a double peristome? I can't tell certainly, for I have a very faint idea as to what to look for in the case of the second peristome. I have been working on this specimen all

the forenoon, and can't seem to make much progress.

I have about forty mosses that I have collected since I sent some to you last fall, but have not identified any, as yet as I have only had my microscope a few days. However I am going right ahead from now on, tho I have rather less time than last year.

If you wish I will send to you the specimens that I have, which you have not seen, or will wait until fall, just as you prefer. This moss work does require the most patience of anything that I ever tried, but its lots of fun.

Yours very truly
Edw. B. Chamberlain

Bristol. Me.
Aug 6. 1898.

My Dear Mr. Collins:

I wish to trespass on your time once more with a few questions. The help you gave me on No. 60 was very acceptable, and I found a name for it. Is Neckera pennata. Hedw. the right one? I have had more time for moss work than I had planned and hope to get over the greater part of my specimens before I have to give up my microscope.

Now as to questions: How do you get at the annulus of a moss, and how do you know it when found? I have hunted around the upper part of the capsule,

and have examined the operculum, but can find no cells that appear distinctive. Probably I don't know what to look for. Then how do you tell from a single specimen of a moss whether it is monœcious or diœcious? What is meant by "areolation loose"? by "cilia appendiculate"? "leaves complanate, or complanate-spreading?" Is this last equivalent to "two-ranked"? You see, I am all mixed up over some mosses that apparently belong to the genus Hypnum, but I can't "prove their belonging," as it were.

Now in the basal angles of some mosses I find the cells enlarged in a peculiar manner. They are barrel-shaped, or oblong, and apparently overlap, as thus.

It does not seem to be due to poor focusing of the microscope

Is it what is called "cells inflated."
Again what is the destinction in the terms. "narrowly rhomboidal: hexagonal." "vermicular," "quadrate = rhomboidal." etc." Also could you just give me an idea of what the difference in appearance would be between a symmetric cernuous capsule, and an unsymmetric arcuate one. Lastly, can leaves be four-ranked and yet complanate?

I believe that this is the end of my interrogation point. tho' it may seem altogether too long to you.

I have hunted for the plant you thought, Hypnum alpestre Swtz., but thus far have not succeeded in finding it again. However, the year isn't past yet.

I am very sorry that you may be unable to attend the Josselyn Society meeting, but I shall hope to see you just the same.

By the way, you gave me the name of no. 34, as Trischocolea tormentella, Dum. I can't find it mentioned in any book that I have. Where can I find the description? I also secured recently thro the "Fern Bulletin" good specimens of Atrichum undulatum, A. angustifolium, Tetraphis pellucida, Diphyscium foliosum, and Eustichia Norvegica, the latter sterile.

Thanks ever so much for your kindness in answering my previous questions.

Very cordially yours.

Edw. B. Chamberlain.

Dear my cousin.

Your letter received. Thanks for the answers. It is very kind ~~of you~~ to take your time to clear up my stupidity. ~~For it certainly was~~ stupid in me not to think of looking among the Hepatics for no 34. I have already subscribed for the N.E. Botanical Club Bulletin and am "gumming" for subscribers. Have recently collected about two quarts of sphagnum in fruit, as well as a new Dicranum (D. Muhlenbeckii Brs ?) but have not studied them much as yet. Have nearly half my new mosses named, at least as far as genus. Hypnum sticks me though. Cordially

Bristol. Aug 12. 1898 Edw. B. Chamberlain

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Mr. J. F. Collins.
126 East Avenue
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Bristol Me.
Aug 23.

Dear Mr. Collins.

Your card received, am very sorry that you can not attend the Josselyn meeting with us. I will do my best to look out for "the unfortunates" and supply them with mosses.

Besides what I may get at Waterville I have nearly a hundred to send myself.

I have rather less than half of these named, and I expect that many of these names are wrong. Hypnum is certainly my Waterloo. I can't seem to do much with it. The difference between Brynn & Webera al

bothers me. Judging Bryum from B. argenteum, all the plants I have worked on so far belong to Webera. Another puzzle is a little moss that apparently comes about Desmatodon, but isn't exactly anything. Mrs. Stevens kindly sent me a fruiting specimen of Mnium stellare, and I think that I have found sterile specimens here.

By the way, could you please send me just a bit of Polytrichum juniperinum. I have been looking for it here, but everything seems to be P. strictum. When in New Hampshire however I got what appears to be P. juniperinum alpestre, at least it is quite different from my P. strictum. How common Funaria hygrometrica is; I find that I have at least five different

collections of it all from different places. Well, I wish you could be at Waterville very much, the Bryological Committee will be few in number I fear. If you can find the time, I wish that you might visit me at some time. I am at home from June 25th to September 15th, and would be glad to see you at any time. True the place is small and out-of-the-way, but we could find something for amusement I'm sure.

Yours very truly

Edwin B. Chamberlain

My Dear Collins: thanks very much for the Polytricums. I shall know what to look for now. Am certain that I have never seen P. juniperinum growing here. From a hasty examination I rather think that the other plant is P. jun. alpinum, Schimp. but am not sure. The sterile plants agree very well with the sterile one of P. juniperinum which you sent. Thanks for your invitation and offer about the mosses. The "Dicranodon-like" one is Leptotrichum tortile I think, but am not sure as to its being monoecious or dioecious as yet. Well, I will remember you at Waterville, and let you know how I succeed as soon as I get back home.

Yours very truly,
Edw. B. Chamberlain.

Bristol Me. Aug. 26. 1898.

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Mr. J. F. Collins.

126. East Avenue.

Providence.

R. I.

Bristol Me.
Sept. 5. 1898.

Dear Mr. Collins.

I have got about forty packets for the unfortunates, some rather common, others I fancy not so common. Saturday forenoon Mr. Fernald and I botanized around the cliff on the river opposite Waterville. We found several good things. The cliff are a limestone-slate, and hence I fancy that some of the mosses may be good. I have Preissia commutata in abundance from the rocks, also what Fernald think is Bryum argenteum. There was also a moss there looking very much like Funaria hygrometrica, but growing in wet clefts of the rock where no self-respecting F. hygrom. would ever think of growing. Fernald says also that I have Bryum roseum in fruit, and that it is good. There are 8 or ten capsules.

The meeting were rather poorly attended, but some of the papers were excellent. On the whole I feel repaid for my trip, especially as I have

nearly fifty new plants besides the mosses. Among the things that interested Fernald very much were Vallisneria spiralis in fruit, an undescribed Zigania which he had previously known only from St. John's & upper Penobscot valley, Elodea Canadensis abundant, Euphorbia hirsuta, new for state, and one or two new sedges. The banks of the Kennebec at Winslow are much like the St. John River. We found Astragalus alpinus, Juncus alpinus var insignis, Solidago humilis, Prunus pumila, etc. I met Mr Metcalf from Brown, who said that he knew you. We had a very pleasant ~~sail~~ row together on the river. Well, I must close, as it is mail time. Will send the mosses about Thanksgiving or later. Wish very much that you could have been there at the meetings.

Yours very truly,

Edw. B. Chamberlain.

learned from Mr. Fernald that the needed 600 subscribers had been attained and I am looking forward to the first number with a good deal of interest.

Well I have another note to write before supper and must close. I shall be glad of anything you can tell me in regard to my next year's work.

Very truly yours,
Edw. B. Chamberlain
Box 89,
Brunswick
Maine

Sept 28, 1898.

My Dear Collins.

Would you send me a catalogue of Brown University and also give me an idea about what the facilities for post-graduate work would be there.

I am in some doubt as to what I shall do next year, and Mr. Metcalf, whom I met at Waterville said something about work at Brown. He spoke as if I could get by application a fellowship or something of that sort, which would enable me to carry on the study of botany or biology.

I wish that you would

write me candidly what you think about things. I graduate from college here, next June, and my standing is good. I expect to make teaching in some form my business for a time at least. However I am undecided as to whether to take a postgraduate for a year or to teach some first.

What Mr. Metcalf said gave me an idea or two, and I have been intending to write to you ever since, to get your opinion. As far as standing here in college goes I would be willing to have you enquire of any member of the faculty.

Since college opened I have done but little moss-work, but have one good find Preissia commutata grows in abundance in a railroad cutting about four miles from here; and I am in hopes to find it on a ridge of limestone about six miles away as soon as I can ever get time to visit it. I shall have a big lot of mosses to send in November, nearly 150.

I hope that the magazine of the Botanical Club will be published soon. I

Brunswick Me.

Dear Mr. Collins.

Thanks very much for your letter and the catalogue. also for your kind offer of help. I am not sure as yet just what I shall do, and hence can not give you a definite reply. But as soon as I do decide I will let you know. It is very kind of both you and Mr. Metcalf to take the interest that you have, and even if it should be so that I could not accept. I shall not

making of permanent mounts such as you spoke of in the October "Fern Bulletin", would be helpful. This fall my work in biology is partly making permanent mounts of animal tissues, but I suppose that mosses differ a good deal. Where could I get the glycerine jelly, or mica for the mounts. Would thin pieces of what is known as "white mica" do? If so, perhaps I could get them myself, and so save expense.

I hope that my numerous questions will not tire your patience beyond endurance.

This last summer I found that it took a long time when

forget your kindness.

Now to talk shop a little. Mrs Stevens just sent me a letter in which she enclosed a note from Mr. Burnett of Bradford, Pa. She had sent to him a specimen of the moss which you thought might be. Hypnum alpestre, Swz. (My No. 20.)

He wrote that the packet was a mixture of Brachythecium plumosum (not salebrosum) and probably Hypnum (Limnobium) palustre, or some form near that; but that it was very near H. dilatatum Wils. (Barnes' Key, No 601). I judge from the letter that Mr. Burnett was not absolutely sure himself about the moss, tho' thinking it best classed with Hypnum palustre.

Would you at some time give me a few hints as to the ways of mounting or otherwise preserving my mosses. So far I have put the packets into pasteboard boxes, and kept them all in a bunch. But that method is unhandy in many ways. I have no means of seeing for myself, how it is done in the large herbaria, and so must depend on what I can get by hearsay. Also a bit of advice about the

I wanted to compare two specimens, and I often wished that I had some way of making permanent mounts.

Preissia, or rather, Cyathophora quadrata, was very abundant at ~~Waterville~~ Winslow, but here at Brunswick I have only found a few patches.

Well the chapel bell is ringing and I must stop.

Yours very truly.
Edw. B. Chamberlain.

Oct. 16. 1898.

Phila, Oct. 15, 1898.

Dear Mr. Chamberlain:

Yours of the 12th at hand. I am glad Mr. Smith has tried to clear up the lichen matter. My record for your specimen is 20. I am going to give a little more particulars in regard to my study of it. In my herbarium your moss is numbered x1248a & x1248b, "a" being the hypnum & "b" the brachythecium. This is the way I number my specimens, the number "1248" indicates the packet or envelope of original collection; the "x" indicates that the specimen was collected by ~~them~~ some body else and sent to me, that is, it was from some other collector herbarium (i.e. "Ex herb."). If it was of my own collecting no "x" would precede it. The "a", "b", "c", etc., as the case may be, indicate the different species mixed in the same packet (same number). I have two blank books, one for the numbers preceded by "x" and the other for those without the "x". After each number (these numbers are arranged consecutively and each

book begins with #1.) I enter a brief legend of locality, date & collector, and when determined, the name also, for example in case of your more the entry in my book was follows

X1248 a Hypn. alpestre ?? b Pinnulyp. salebrosum ? Bristol, Me. C.B.C. #20.

Now in regard to X1248a.

On the label in my book is the following legend

"X1248a Hypnum alpestre Sing ?

vr. H. fucatum v. fulvum B.S ?

On a damp rock beside a brook, Bristol (Lincoln Co) Me, Coll. E. B. Chamberlain #20 Aug. 3, 1897."

On the envelope kept under the label is this:

"Monoicous: ♂ in buds near ♀ Pinnulyphum nome? (name seen), Stem 2 in. fertile, nodose, often as long as segment. Leaves with hyaline margins, Segments as long as leaf, slightly perforated between articulations above"

On one extra piece of paper, found in the herbarium sheet, is this addition:

"X1248a. I am inclined to think this is Hyp. alpestre Sing, yet the leaves at apex are but very slightly — if at all — denticulate

It may be (if not that of) the foliate var. lupum or gilberum B.S. Leaves very concave, the corta is sometimes very short and double and sometimes with a single branch of it extending beyond middle of leaf and the other branch very short or obsolete, the two extremes often occurring in adjoining leaves"

All the above was written at the time of ~~my~~ ~~my~~ my determining your specimen. You will see by this that I wavered between alpestre and a var. of of pachystele. The leaves of your specimen are almost identical with the outline of the leaves given in Boyer Europe tab. 575 for H. foliata var. gilberum which is figured with a single horn. The general appearance of the flower leaves is like the fig. of H. alpestre (R.E. tab. 577) I should not think of its being H. dilatata for it is not at all like the figures (either of fruit or leaf) given in Boyer Europe (t. 577) or of the leaf in Dicks Jaunum N. 132 the leaf of H. dilatata is almost ovate (See B. and Boyer p. 246 line 12 (of text), also l. 12 & 16 same

pope. also line 13 on p. 366, & Hunnat. Mus. Suff.
3.3 fig. 119 ... (Brachinite 3:5b. &c.)

last evening I made measurements of
3. the lower of your moss, they were ~~[illegible]~~ 1440 μ. x 750 μ. &
1400 μ x 720 μ. & 1490 μ x 800 μ. or, approximately ~~the width is to the length about half as wide as long~~ the width is a trifle more than ½ the length which is about the proportion of the lower of both H. palustre and H. alpestre. I think you will admit that this might be effectually taken for H. dilatatum, with the Burnetti form in the role of H. palustre, coupled with the fact that the alar cells of your moss are enlarged & prominent I am going to place the plant among my enlarged H. palustre forms.

Now for x1248 b.

(My mounts of the branch leaves are distinctly though finely acrolate, this is a case where a fruiting specimen would be of great value for Bryologists, celebrum has a smooth peta: B. plumosum, rough. but without this important fact we will have to work with the leaves.)

according to B. & H. keys would throw it with pubescens (see p. 235 lines 3 & 16 from bottom). B. flammeum is given as an entire leaf (See p. 236, l. 13 from bottom; & p. 1. Van p. 245 l. 7 from bottom). These are the only two species I consulted at the time of your naming your specimens.

The Reg. Eur. figures the former with serrulate leaves and the latter with entire.

Now however, upon looking further I find that Lisser & Jones p. 102, + Vasey & Sullivan p. 326 describe and figure (Tab. 74) with denticulate leaves, though the fig. in the latter works represents the leaves as much wider than in your specimen.

Finally I found in Mem. Torr. Bot. Club, 6: 187 (on B. flammeum) "branch leaves — entire or serrulate at apex". Lisser & Jones also gives measurements of leaves: for B. flammeum ~~(p. 102)~~ 1.1–1.5 × 0.4–0.5 m.m. and for B. scabellum 1.8–2.3 × 0.5–0.65 m.m. Last evening I measured 4 of the leaves of your plant, and found them to be 1.5

1680 μ × 530 μ, 1504 μ × 520 μ, 1437 μ × 450 μ & 1285 μ × 450 μ. (the sign "μ" means a micro-millimeter, or $\frac{1}{1000}$ of a millimeter)

According to measurements the bacilli of Spear's specimen are very near B. plumorum, though slightly larger, but only about ½ as long as they should be for B. Salchinum. This fact together with the description of the margin of the branch leaves given by Dr. T. is sufficient to lead me to concur with Mr. Barnett's opinion.

I have given these details of my work in order to show how long it is in some cases, for a person unfamiliar with certain species, to get on the wrong track by confining themselves to B. [illegible] Kuyper or B. [illegible], when other specimens may be at hand. ~~[illegible]~~

After my study last evening I suspect there may be some other Bracket-fungus in my herb. labeled B. [illegible] that should be B. plumorum or something else (incl. some of Mrs. Stevens.) and when I can find time I am going to examine them and try to make them

By the way, I wish you would let Mr. Stevens see this letter.

I will try and tell you how I mount my specimens & perhaps you will be able to "get some points" or modify some of my methods to suit your own particular case.

I am quite sure you are familiar with my method of collecting, so will omit that.

When I get ready to study a moss (I do not disturb it in its original collecting envelope, usually, until then) if it is bulky I put the whole tuft into a dish and wet it with warm (quite warm) water until well moistened throughout. Then squeeze out all the superfluous water, separate into smaller thinner portions which I generally lay on blotting paper until the whole package is saturated, after which I place another blotter (or 2 or 3) on top of them and blot all the water out of them that I can conveniently. Then put them in a regular plant-press in a specimen sheet (folded) (thin, cheap, white tea-paper of the cheap grocery is the best) and place the

wrote between sheets and apply a light weight (other 10 lbs. usually) just sufficient to keep the specimen flat until dry.

Sometimes then give the specimen to the mounting sheet but oftener place it in an envelope like the one enclosed (I have larger envelopes for larger specimens) paste a label (with data) on top flap as shown, then glue the envelope to the mounting sheet. I also have a small envelope (like the enclosed) for mica specs. which glued to same mounting sheet. I keep all sheets of one species in a folded sheet of heavy manilla paper on the outside of which (in lower left hand corner) is the name of the genus & species. As for paper I use the Gray Herb. Standard (19 lbs per) paper (which is $16\frac{1}{2} \times 11\frac{1}{2}$) cut into quarters; (about $8\frac{1}{4} \times 5\frac{3}{4}$). I believe Mr. Stevens uses a sheet twice the size of mine ($11\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{4}$) Mr. Kennedy of Pendleton Mass who has a large moss herb. always intermediate between these two, and of course mounting covers to match. (these should always measure

when fixed, a little more easily than the mounting fluid.) The Grey Eulorin Brown Eosin Hem. and I guilge all large Eulorin was the standard size sheet (1½ x 1½) in order to have uniformity throughout the whole collection of Phanerogams & Cryptogams.

Glycerine jelly can be obtained of any dealer in microscopic supplies. Write to Bausch & Lomb Optical Co., Rochester N.Y. for a catalogue of supplies.

I get my mica of Eugene Munroe & Co 213 Water St. N.Y. city. I get the 2 x 2 finest mica and cut it size desired. I enclose 1 foot mount, also 1 piece cut with 2 holes & 2 screws. It usually comes much thicker than this ~~mica~~ you want to cut yourself. It costs 51¢ per lb. (2% off for cash in 10 days)

I think that glycerine jelly is much used for animal tissues but ~~[illegible]~~ it is the medium generally ~~used~~ for flowers. Glycerine jelly in order to be fixed as used in any way must be hot. This is better by placing the bottle in hot water

Be careful about breaking bottle by the sudden immersion in hot water.

I think the best method for you & me is the one I formerly used though not the one I now use. Get a square bottle with at least one smooth ~~side~~ side (no raised letters) that will hold half a pint or less as you choose. This is filled with hot water, corked up tight and laid on its side (smooth side up). The slide is laid on this and a drop of hot jelly placed in the middle. The directions are transferred from glyc. (See Not from Bulletin) to this, and the cover gently placed on top and allowed to settle of its own weight or under the slight pressure of a needle. If the ~~amount of~~ size of the drop of jelly has been gauged right it will run out to edges of cover but not beyond. Now remove from hot bottle and ~~place on cold table~~ allow to cool when it becomes fixed in (2 or 3 minutes). To get the jelly ready for use warm the bottle you lay it on

and ~~[illegible]~~ about half pint a small round home made vial (about 2½ inches high & 3/4 of an inch in diam); ~~[illegible]~~ with it. You get a round glass rod (not a tube) about 8 or 6 inches long & 3/16 of an inch in diam, & slowly heat it in a real hot air middle part & draw it out until the thin portion is 1/16 of an inch or less diam; allow it cool; break in two in middle of thin part; heat each end again in flame till sharp edges are melted round; allow it cool. Perforate the cork of your home made vial so as to allow this rod to (tightly) fit through. When the cork is in the vial the small (lower) end of rod should project into the jelly nearly half an inch. The rod can be pushed further through the cork as the jelly grows too in mixing. About the neck of rod twist two wires and allow them to project far enough to rest on the edges of a cup containing hot water to keep the jelly fluid. In warm weather wire slings will enable you to transfer the jelly from the vial to the dish & remove cork & rod together when

a small drop will be seen on the ~~[illegible]~~ end of rod; touch that to cheek and repeat until you have enough. A little experience will soon tell you about how much is enough.

Bristol Maine,
Nov 28, 1898.

Dear Mr. Collins:

I send you to-day a package of mosses, quite a large one, in fact. I hope that it does not contain quite so much trash as the one last year. I expect that there are a great many duplicates among them especially among the Hypnums, tho' I have tried to avoid it as much as I could.

I enclose a list of all which I have determined, and hope that some will prove right. The following numbers I send no specimens of, either because you already have specimens of the plant, or else because they are packets given to me: 64, 65, 66, 71, 76, 78, 81, 82, 84, 87, 90, 95, 125, 130, 133, 149, 151, 171, 210.

Numbers 178.-221 were all collected at the Botanical Convention, in the vicinity of Waterville. The locality "Waterboro", refers to the village so marked on the Geological Survey

Maps, tho' the railroad station is South Waterboro.

While in New Hampshire this summer I got a few mosses from a hill called Mt. Pack Monadock; I can't find the mountain mentioned on any maps which I have, but perhaps you can find out in what town it is. If so, I wish that you would let me know. Number 222 is a funny thing. It looks like Polytricum strictum, Banks, but it grew in a swamp at Brunswick, less than a hundred feet above sea level. This hardly accords with the habitat "mountains, on dry rocks", given in the L. & J. Manual.

I also send the sketches which I made this last summer. Don't feel compelled to bother with them, I sometimes fear that I impose upon you, with my endless questions, and my mosses, many of which must be old stories to you.

Now in regard to a post-graduate: You and Mr. Metcalf have both been exceedingly kind in your offers of help, and I am ever so much obliged to you. I would like very much to be at Brown

this next year, but is most probable that, if I do take a post graduate course, I shall go to Harvard. You have been so kind to me that I almost feel ungrateful in not accepting your offer, but all things considered it seems better for me to go to Harvard for a three years course.

I should have enjoyed being at Providence very much, and as it is, I hope that we may see one another often.

Yours very truly,

Edw. B. Chamberlain.

Brunswick Maine,
Dec 4. 1898.

My Dear Collins.

I am very glad that you received the mosses safely, and that you think they are good specimens.

Since I sent them I have received about a dozen by exchange with Miss Clark of Ellsworth. Some, I find, are like specimens which I collected this last summer. but quite a few are new to me. I have just got Braithwaite's "Sphagnaceae," and sometime am going to try to identify some of these mosses, but I don't know when it will be.

Yes, I did receive a note from the Secretary of the N.E. Botanical Club, and am a non-resident member. Mr. Fernald gave me a sort of warning last summer, when we were at Waterville.

You may be very sure that I shall visit Providence, if I am at Harvard next year, and I am quite certain that I shall be there.

Very truly yours,

Edw. B. Clausen

BOWDOIN COLLEGE,
BRUNSWICK, MAINE

My Dear Collins:

This the week for examinations here, and consequently I have not very much time to spare. Thanks for your kindness in acting as my sponsor in the Botanical Club matter. I suppose also that I have Mr. Fernald to thank as well.

I hope that I may be able to attend some of the meetings this year, and if I do I shall not forget Providence.

Yours very truly

Edw B Chamberlain

Dec 11. 1898.

Brunswick, Me,
Jany. 22. 1899.

My Dear Mr. Collins:

Thanks for your little notice of the list of New Brunswick Mosses. Prof. Lee, here at the college, very kindly called my attention to it a few days ago, and I sent to St. John to find out about it. I think that I shall get a copy of the list, as it is of a region so near here.

This winter, I have no time at all to examine plants, or to do anything outside of my regular work. Perhaps by and bye I may have the chance. I was in Boston at the last meeting of the Botanical Club, but did not have the spare time

which I had planned on, else I should have tried to see you. Well, we must hope for better results next time. Unless something unforeseen comes up, I shall be at Harvard next year, and then I can occasionally come to Providence.

Very truly yours,

Edw. B. Shaudlein.

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BRUNSWICK MAINE

Feby 3. 1891.

My Dear Mr. Collins:

Today Prof Lee told me that Mr. E.D. Merrill, is going to issue a series of 100 moosses collected in Maine during the past few seasons, at the price of 5¢ per packet.

Mr. Merrill is an assistant at the University of Maine, at Orono. I saw one of the packets which Prof. Lee had as a sample, and it ap= peared well put up.

Concerning Mr. Mer=

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BRUNSWICK MAINE

rich's general work, I can't say. He writes that he has sent duplicates of doubtful species to Dr. Warnstorf (Germany), Mrs. Britton, and Prof. Barnes.

Prof. Lee is going to purchase a pet, and I am thinking of it. I rather think that several of the packets will be from Ontario and points along the Canadian Pacific.

I think that the pet would be useful, at any

B.

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BRUNSWICK, MAINE

rate for one anxious to study the distribution of Maine Mosses.

Very truly yours
Edw. B. Chamberlain

P.S. Mr. Merrill's address is
University of Maine
Orono,
Maine.

BOWDOIN COLLEGE
BRUNSWICK, MAINE

Feb. 16. 189[illegible]

Dear Mr. Collins.

I sent to Mr. Merrill for the set of mosses which I wrote to you about a little while ago. Yesterday they came in nice condition.

Of course, I can't say how correctly they are named, but the specimens are nice clean ones, and in almost every case of large size.

I enclose a list which Mr. Merrill sent me

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BRUNSWICK, MAINE

which includes nearly all the mosses which I received. There are one or two sphagnums and the Ulotas which are not down on the list. The localities are chiefly Oldtown and vicinity, Monmouth Auburn, Orland, Ktaadn Iron Works, and Mt. Ktaadn.

Mr. Merrill has also promised to exchange with me again later, and says also that if he can he

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will make my set more complete after he has filled Professor Lee's order.

He writes that in the Herbarium there at the University, there are quite a lot of mosses which were collected by Rev. Joseph Blake. If so, it would be well to examine them sometime, as there might be some good collections.

Please return the list when you are through with it.

Very truly yours

Edw. Chamberlain.

Recit. [illegible]

E. D'Avrelle lit. Mc. Pesses fonte varietas
(via 9.4.C)

Sphag. antiq	Lecanoraceae vel.	Alnus incanifolia.
" rubrum	Ceratodon purp.	affinis
— " " purpureum	— Blumlea aust.	— afrantissima
" fimbriatum	— Pellia trunculata	Coelacum pal.
subacaulem	Leptotrich. pall.	Aloë. similis
Andreaea petro.	— rajana	angust.
— Pleuridium alterum.	— Barbul. unguic	Polygalum alpinum
— Trichia varia	Grimia apocarp.	fenestella
Trichostom. umbrig	+ " " rim	Polytrich. filif
Dicranella heteromall.	— Placomit. Sculet.	Juniperus
+ cerviculata	Vesicularia vil.	communis
Dicranum flagellare	— Drummondi Dus.	Ulmus
longifolium	+ Eucalyp. colinta	Diplyo. fabium
elongatum	Letrapelia pellus.	Fontinalis Nov. Angl.
fuscescens	— Glyceomit. pyri	antipyret. var
scoparium	Jungermann hyper.	Dalecarlica
sphagnum	Bartram. pom.	Dicelyma pall
Drummondii	+ Mielen	Isochem fam
undulatum	Pleurot. fonta.	— Stereocaul filif
Bongeanum	Notaris aculeata	+ Lepton polycarpa
Fissidens adiantoides	Bryum argenteum	— nervosum
+ decipiens	Carpotrich	— arenicola Beat, ms.
— minutulus	+ rostrum	

- Cremastum alternatum
- retiretum
- obtusifolium
- aureolum
Peziza intermedia
volutina
Chaetomium lanosum
- Thyridium sicilianum ovinum
deliratulum
sarcopeziforme
Bronchothecium hedwigii
compactum
Neurolepis
- nivalum
- fusisporum
flavum
- Cucurbitaria fuliginosa
olivaceum
Platystomum Nemorum
Phaeodactylogaster sarcoformis
secundatum
Physothecium elastic
+ sylvatic
Infarcinum

+ Eurotiopsis adenalum
lacunosum
separum
- origanum spinif.
Cumpylium trifidulum
Hirsfeldium adunicum
uncinatum
Chaetomium Costa-Costam
Hypo sepiale
fertile
uniforme
tenuifolium
Halotanum
Trichomium obclavum
Cultrizon cordifol
Schweinitzii
Plenozia opaculus
- umbratum

"Thinks a mining boot & mining
are therefore matted respectively
Spilogum Mangles a fine bitch
that I found in Nightmare"
"Lewis"

Bristol, Maine.
April 3, 1899.

Dear Mr. Collins:

I am at home now for a week's vacation and have been looking over the mosses which I received from Mr. E. D. Merrill of Orono. In regard to two of them I wish to ask a question. They are Sphagna, One is labeled.

Sph. compactum. Brid
var squarrosum. Russ.

and the other. Sph. compactum. De Cand.

now what is the difference or similarity between these two, are they forms of the

same species or not?

In Braithwaite's "Sphagnaceae", which I have, the Sph. compactum. De Cand, is made synonomous with Sph. rigidum Schimp var β. compactum Sch. (p 57).

No mention of Sph. compactum Bridl. is made however.

In the L & J manual p 18, Sph. compactum Bridl is equivalent to Sph. molle. Sullivant but no notice of the other.

Now could you please straighten out my tangle. If so I should be much obliged. I enclose bits of each packet so

that you may judge for yourself.
I would send more but my
supply is rather small.

Verytruly yours
Edw B Chamberlain.

If you can get me a com-
to act as an assistant
at Brown this next, an
and at the same time
do work of my own to
some extent, I should be
very glad to accept it.
Of course if I could
get a chance to have
a class for even a
short time it would
be very acceptable, but
understand of course

[illegible]
July 16, [illegible]

[illegible] Collins:

[illegible]
[illegible] in
regard to the little talk
you had with me about
coming to Brown
[illegible], [illegible] owing
[illegible], and also
to a little sick turn,
[illegible] made
do so until today.

that anything of that nature is only a possibility. I should be very glad however of the assistants position. If you can get it, or cannot. I wish you would let me know soon, so that I can be making my plans, and other things necessary.

I got home last Saturday week, all right, about ten o'clock, as my train was an hour late. During the first part of the week I had enough to do putting things to rights, and Friday night I was taken sick with a bilious attack which kept me indoors for a couple days. Will write you again soon in regard to moves.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain

Bristol Maine
July 31, 1899.

My Dear Mr. Collins:

Thank you very much for all the kindness you have shown in regard to helping me about next years work.

I have thought it over and talked about it considerably during the past week, and have decided to accept your offer, consequently I ~~will~~ shall come to Brown next year.

I see by the catalogue that I must register by the 20th of September. Now a few [illegible]

a room picked out, and some other arrangements made, do you think that it would be of any advantage for me to come up to Providence sometime about the last of August or first of September.

Of course I could put off such work until just before term opened, but it will perhaps save bother then. The fellow with, whom I roomed at Bowdoin is at work in Boston, and I should see him a day or so if I came.

If I understand

things rightly. I must register before Sept 20, file an application, evidence of my graduation from Bowdoin, and also stating what courses I am to pursue at Brown, and furthermore a statement of the courses which I have pursued in college. If I am not right I wish you would write me. I shall write to the Registrar for the information in regard to graduate work, and he will probably send me blanks; at least, that is the way at Harvard when I applied there.

Now Mr. Collins, I dont want to "sponge" upon

you, or cause you any needless trouble, but if you think that it would aid me in getting started, to come up to Providence for a day or two about the first of Sept. I wish you would do so. You have taken so much trouble for me already that I feel almost ashamed to ask more.

Now having talked business, I will talk about pleasure, that is; about mosses.

I have not had the time to do much on the Crooetook collections as yet, and may not during this vacation, but I am doing [illegible]

vious lots and getting them in shape. My moss number 153, which I sent to you marked Mnium sp. is Bryum Ontariense. It is sterile and I mistook it for Mnium. The only thing it went with is they was M stellare, Rich, and it clearly couldn't be that. So I puzzled over it about a week before I solved it. By the way, is true Bryum roseum found here, or is it all B. Ontariense?

Then I have been having a tussle with Grimmia apocarpa and its varieties. The G. apocarpa from Mr. Merrill has an round-

semi-adnate [illegible] with [illegible]
[illegible]

semi-acute apex, with percurrent costa thus.

The plant I have has a very acute apex, costa ~~ex~~ ex-current, hyaline, thus

You probably know what a perfect lange trimmer is anyway and can appreciate my difficulties.

I have not collected very many new species except Dicheloyma capillaceum but I have at last found Polytricum juniperinum here in Bristol, Now it ought to turn up everywhere, tho' I have looked for it there [illegible]

Well, you are getting tired of my ramblings, so I must stop.

Very truly yours
Edward [illegible]

My Dear Collins.

Would you please let me know what your opinion is on the moss No 138. which I sent you last November? I think I marked it. Mnium punctatum. On further study I begin to be doubtful. Also No 101. which I called M. cuspidatum Hedw. is, I think M. rostratum. Schrad. Just now I am working on my old mosses, more than the new ones as ever. Edw. B. Chamberlain Bristol Aug. 8.

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Mr. J. F. Collins,

126 East Avenue

Providence.

R. I.

Bristol, Maine,
Aug 28, 1899.

My Dear Collins:

Thanks for your circulars etc, which were safely received a day or two ago. If convenient for you I will come to Providence a week from today (viz: Monday, Sept 4th)

The train which I should take gets into Boston at 4.10 P.M. and I should probably arrive in Providence about 5.30 or 6. I will let you know by a postal later just what train it will be. The Providence trains leave the new station I believe, and I shall probably waste some time in getting to that, as I have not been in Boston since it was opened.

You will pardon me, I know, for so brief a letter. We have just sold the place here, and will soon, that is, within four or five weeks, move to Cumberland Me. Consequently things are rather up in the air, and I don't have the time which I wish.

If it will be in any way inconvenient for you to have me come when I mention, don't be afraid to let me know, and I will postpone matters to suit your convenience.

Very truly yours

Edward [illegible]

My Dear Collins:

Thanks for your card. I had forgotten that Monday was Labor day, but it will make no difference. I will get into Providence at either 5:58 or 6:04, according to what success I have in getting from one sta=

tion to the other. My train arrives in Boston at 4.20 so I may not get the 4.45 train out of Boston, but will certainly get the next one

As ever

Edw B. Chamberlin

Bristol, Me.

Sept. 2.. 1911

My Dear Collins:

I am having a nice vacation but cold as Greenland's Icy Mountains. Pump froze solid this morning, and the sink was an ice-wagon yesterday.

If it is all the same to you I shall return Thursday night or Friday morning, as mother is not feeling very well, and I wish to stay here until the last gun.

I am busy of course in various ways, on plants, and old boxes, making calls on my forty or fifty cousins who live here, and such trifles. Hope that you all had a merry Christmas, and have a whole

volume of New Year Resolutions

Give my regards please to Prof Bailey and the rest, (that is, whoever may enquire for me !?).

Very heartily yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Brandybrand Center, Mass.

December twenty-ninth

'99

Round Pond, Me.
June 21, 1900.

Dear Collins,

Mother sent me today the postal which you kindly forwarded from Providence. Thanks awfully. I have sent Jane my regrets. Very sorry couldn't come, awful disappointment &c. You know what I mean.

I have been here at my cousins since Tuesday, partly visiting and partly on business. This is near where I used to live, and there were some little things to settle up before long, so I came down. Shall go to Bowdoin for commencement Tuesday, and return to Lamberd and Thursday. Then

shall try to put in a good solid month's work, and get out of doors all I can.

Hurrah for Brown and the $1,000,000. I hope that we may get some of it, but I fear it's not to be.

Well. I must retire now. Kindest regards to all, and to "Cardinal" Bailey, L.L.D. Remember the latch-string is always out at Cumberland Center.

Very truly yours

Edward P. Chamberlin

Dear JH,

1900

How & where are you now. I haven't heard a word about you except indirectly from WWB. who said you had been at Ft. Kent. I send this to providence, but can't for the life think what the new number of your house is. Let me know if you are alive & well. I have a dandy specimen of Dic Bergeré waiting for you when you reappear. As ever

Cambridge Saturday Aug 18. Edward Chamberlain.

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Mr. Franklin Collins:

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276 East Avenue.

PROVIDENCE R.I. AUG 19 00

Providence,

R. I.

Now Dorchester, Hope Street

Cumberland Center, Me.
July 9, 1901.

Dear Cousin:

Well, we have got here after a while and are attempting to get settled. The rain yesterday afternoon prevented us from moving the goods which were stored here, so that we had to sleep at my uncle's last night.

We hope to be settled by the end of the week, and shall be glad to see you at any time thereafter.

Received letters from Miss Moulton when I got here, telling of the appointment of Miss Mansfield as Treas. I wish you could have bounced Lane completely, he is an old jackass. Still if you have an executive com-

mitten it will answer just as well.
However, it's not my hunt, I am done
with it thank God.

Met Mr Swartzair here yester-
day, he gave a very amusing account
of the Shapleigh affair. He
wishes you to make it a point
~~to to~~ to call on him when you
are here if possible.

As soon as we get the goods
settled and I can tell where I am
at, I hope to get some collecting
done. Well, its breakfast
time and I much close up.

Very truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Me.,
1st August, 1904.

Dear Lowins:

We are still alive here, even tho' we have not given very many indications of it during the past few weeks. Mother is really getting very much better, altho' the recent spell of damp weather has given her the rheumatism somewhat.

During the past week I have found time for some serious botanizing and have collected about sixty specimens, partly duplicates, partly new things. Mosses, we are coming in slowly, and are trying not to duplicate last season's work. The best thing so far is a Ruscia, probably some form of R. fluitans.

I have enough for you also. Yesterday and today I have been over my third Island collections of the last spring running up the huckles, the best finds, for me, are Bromus mollis, Carex platyphylla, and an odd form of Festuca ovina.

The Carex is the one we found at Somerset, and is given in the manual as to local distribution.

Letters have been coming in occasionally from members of the Chapter requesting Simulans, which stopped in the last Bryologist.

Now planning to collect enough of two or three rare Mosses, to distribute during the next winter, I can get Pleuratodon ambiguum, probably the Riccia mentioned above, Neckera, and others of a similar character,

To-day, Mackenzie and I set out on a tramp to a certain large piece of woodland near here, where we ought to get a good lot number of specimens. I have already found here, Vicia tetrasperma, Polygonum Careyi, & an Euphorbia which I think is Wiegand's hirsuta, publ in the appendix to Britton and Brown.

Both mother and I are looking forward to your visit here with a good deal of pleasure, and we hope that you can stay at least a week.

Mr. Sweetser and I have at least one long excursion planned for botanical purposes, and we can doubtless utilize the time in other ways as well.

I wrote to W.P.B. the other day [illegible]

Have had notes, mostly on pus cases, from Dr Robinson, Messrs Rich, [illegible] & Keane. I also had the proof of the Rhodora article on Coraquiaxa to correct. Mr. Rich writes that the August number, in which the list appears, will be out about the 5th. Consequently I shall appear in purple and fine linen.

Now, I have quite a bit to do to prepare for the walk which Mr Scott's so I must cut this short. Mother wishes to be remembered to you, and hopes to see you before very long.

Very truly yours,

Edward F. Chamberlain

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CUMBERLAND CENTER
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1901

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THIS SIDE IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Mr. J. H. Collins.
North Anson
Maine

Dear Collins:

The catalogue is ready outside, waiting [illegible] you to put it. We shall be happy to have you drop a card [illegible] remaining as long as you can, if we will and send a card.

Yours
Lawrence Kentucky, E. W. C.
14 Aug, '01

Cumberland Center Me.
4 Sept. 1901

Dear Collins:

I received your Katahdin number several days ago but failed to acknowledge it, partly thru being very busy. Since you left I have got a lot of work done, clearing up odds and ends of my summers work. Sunday and Monday I spent with Dr. Fellows in Portland. We had a delightful time and I got a lot of very interesting plants, [illegible]

Monday night and Tuesday I spent at Vassalboro Me. where I think I can secure a position teaching. I shall know definitely within two days.

The salary is $300 and living, and I shall teach Latin, Greek, Physiology, Botany Comp. and possibly [illegible]

even pretend that I shall enjoy it very much, as the school is rather remote, and lonesome in winter. Also it would be necessary for mother to remain here, while I live at Vineyard.

However I feel it must come — there nothing. If you know of any pure thing in Providence paying 400 let me know at once by telegraph. Of course I do not expect there is any, but I have made this agreement with the people at Vassalboro. — I am to have the school, barring the remote possibility of another teacher, who I think [illegible]; but if I ~~hear of~~ please ~~Lk~~ a better place before Saturday 7th Sept. I can be released upon telegraphing the Vassalboro people.

After Monday the 9th the Lagoon is inexpressibly [illegible]

So, you see, I shall probably not be in Providence this winter after all.

The school is a Quaker place, called Oakgrove Seminary, situated at Vassalboro, on the M.C.R.R. There are about 80 pupils, and 6 teachers, all young people. The teachers I met appear very nice people, but I imagine that the surroundings in winter will be a little dreary. School really opened Sept 2 - but I was given a week, on account of the short notice I had of the place, (I heard only Saturday).

The school year ~~last~~ is of 3 terms each 12 weeks, closing for good the 22d May.

My only objection to the place, and it is lonely, and [illegible] so that [illegible]

can live with me. They, which seems, are not in [illegible]

About our goods now in Providence, they will have to stay there for the present. As soon as possible, I shall attend to them, but I have lots to do at present and they must wait.

I have to furnish besides my clothing, only towels & napkins. Necessary room furniture i.e. bed, table, chair, bedding, wardrobe, etc, are all furnished. Still I have got to hustle here, and many things will have to be bought.

Well I have yarned enough. Well you did Mrs Jucker letter about the house this morning. Thank both of you for the trouble you have taken. ~~It~~ Mother will write you

sometime during the first of next week.

Dr. Fellows wished to be remembered to you, and was very sorry not to see you. ~~but meant~~ That day he and my other friends were on Mt. Washington. They went up ~~Saturday~~ Friday and returned Monday night.

Well it is mail time. Our kindest regards to all.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlin

September 11th, 1901.

Oak Grove Seminary
Vassalboro, Me.

Dear Collins:

As I wrote you I recieved an offer of work here, for $300 per year and living. The term began 2 weeks ago Tuesday, but I came only Monday.

I teach Latin, Greek, Physiology, and in the spring term Botany. As far as salary goes the place is worth as much as one paying $600, where one has board & room rent to pay outside.

Last Monday, I sent you by express the micro. that I had during the summer, and the glass slide containing mounts of the Rataridea mosses. I hope you recieved them all right. Mother was to send you, yesterday or today, a little box

containing the keeges I had last year, ie Herbarium Laboratory etc. also the two Hydna you gathered at Cumberland. The Mayfish in a sterile moss, which I think is Phuidium Blandowii.

If so keep all of it. the data are,
Sh Bl —

Swampy open woods.

Eliot. 28 Aug. 01. Cumberland Me.

Write me whenever you can, addressing me as above. I will try to send a longer letter to you soon.

Remember me please to all in Providence.

Verytruly yours,
Edward B. Chamberlain.

OAK GROVE SEMINARY, VASSALBORO ME.

30 Sept. 1901.

Dear Collins:--

Iam taking this up as an amusement, so please excuse any mistakes that you may find. By "this" I mean typewriting. Up here at Vassalboro things are going very smothly, but without much time for loafing. The other day I recieved a letter from a lady in Sidney, Cape Breton, Canada, asking me to take the job of tutoring her daughter in sciences etc., the pay was to be $400. with expenses. In some ways I should have liked the place, for which by the way, Fernald recommended me, but of course I cannot leave here. We are having some fine weather here, clear and cool. Towards the northwest we can see several mountains, what ones I do not know, but most likely those to the west of Farmington, and the hills towards Bigelow. I have not done very much botanizing here and do not expect to., there isn't the time for it.

By the way, will you please get me enough of the Hungarian nails for two pairs of shoes? Icannot get them here and want to get some shoes fixed before winter. You can send them by ~~mail~~ mail and I will settle the damage. Thank you for the pictures, mother is very much pleased with them. Next Saturday I plan to go home and can get a chance to look at them. I wonder how the goods that I left at Providence are getting along? I have not heared anything from them at all, but suppose that I shall get a bill from the company very soon after the first of the month.

Let me know how the classes, or asses, get along in Brown this year, I am somewhat interested to see what difference the change

in the hours will make in the number of students.

I wish that I could write a longer letter, but the time for classes to commence has come and I must stop. Give my regards to Prof. Bailey and to all of your people, especially your grandmother. Write whenever you get the time and I will do likewise,

Very truly yours,

Edward R. Chamberlain.

Oak Grove Seminary.
11 October. 1901

Dear Collins:

Pardon my delay in acknowledging the receipt of your package containing the hobnails. Thank you very much for it. If you will let me know the cost of the same I will remit plus postage. This letter, tho', is written chiefly in another purpose.

I have received a letter from the Providence Warehouse Company, where, as you remember, our goods are stored, reading as follows: "Dear Sir: As we have decided not to take household goods on storage for the future at these warehouses we would be glad if some arrangement satisfactory to yourself could be made whereby your goods could be placed in some other warehouse, without expense to you of course in moving".

This means, of course, that I have got to take my goods out of the Prov. Whouse as soon as I can. The Providence people, in the latter part of their letter, recommend the People's Warehouse, upon Eddy St. as a good place, and I remember seeing the advertisement of it in the papers. So I suppose I shall have to put things there — I wish that I could have my things sent back here to Maine, but I see absolutely no place wherein I could store them. — Now the point of my letter is this, do you think it would be best for me to come on to Providence myself, since the insurance policy will have to be

changed. Or do you think that the business could be done by letter; provided you are willing to take a look at the Peoples Warehouse, and see that the goods get in a decent room. The Providence company will evidently do the moving at their own expense.

I ~~may think~~ that the insurance policy could be changed all right, and I can send you a written order authorizing you to make any changes in my name, notifying the company to that effect. Please let me know as soon as convenient just what arrangement you think it best to make, ~~so~~ I shall write to the Providence company requesting a few days delay, until I hear from you. — Now please be absolutely frank in regard to whether you would care to look at the warehouse & insurance for me. ~~If~~ you would be inconvenienced by doing so just ~~say so~~. I can, I feel sure, get off here for a day or two if it is ~~absolutely~~ necessary, and could spend one day in Providence without much trouble.

I am having in many ways a very pleasant time here: of course there isn't much excitement, and ~~things~~ go on in the same dull routine, but still the people one meets are pleasant, and the work enjoyable. Last Sunday I spent at Cumberland with mother, and so got the chance to see your pictures. They are very nice. Its too bad however that the one of the "America" didn't take in the

whole ship. The one of the house, with ~~the~~ family, is very good. If you can please print me an extra one of that. The old man (Uncle David Wilson) is so good, that his grandchildren want a copy. They have no picture at all of their grandfather, and mother ~~thought~~ you might be willing to print one ~~or~~ two for them. — The black walnut tree came out perfectly, didn't it, in some ways it seemed the best picture there.

Mother is now comfortately settled in her new quarters. She has two rooms in the house where we lived a year ago last summer, up near the church. She has the down- + up-stairs southwest corner rooms. Not a bad rent, and the one wherein she will be most comfortable during the winter. There are some obvious drawbacks, and inconveniences, but they are less than could be found in any other rent near the village. ~~Last Tues~~ A Week ago Wednesday she was moved, and by this time is all settled & thinks.

I feel sorry that she has got to stay alone there, but really, I think there was no other way. This place, inasmuch as it pays living expenses, amounts ~~to~~ as much as a $600 job in most places.

Next summer we hope to be able at Cumberland to get settled into some permanent rent, which we can make our home, even if we are away from there most of the year. This will save the eternal moving of goods from

post to pillar, which is enough to distract and wear out Saint Peter.

Remember me to W.W.B. and tell him that I shall have a letter for him soon. Tell him also that the choice specimens of "English as he is Written" that I have found this year go ahead of anything in Providence. For example one boy told me that the "Leag contained 31 boans with a hing joint at the nea." (i.e. a hinge joint at the knee.) Consequently I have been giving my class spelling lessons on the parts of the body.

I hope you are having a pleasant time in your work this year, I dare not say, an easy time for I fear that the demonstrators may not be so useful as might be. Power may work in, but still you can never trust him to conduct classes for you. Oh well, it's all in the day's work, as Kipling has it, and will come out somehow.

Remember me to all the folks in Providence, individually and collectively, and especially to your grandmother. Do not think that the only kind of a letter I can write is a begging letter; just because this one is chiefly that

Sincerely yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear J.H.: Your card at hand. Thanks for your kindness. When the goods are moved, I am going to request you to open the drawer of one of the bureaus, and remove my two overcoats & mother's fur cape. I think it can be done all right. Will send you the keys for the same as soon as I hear from you. Will write to Stutkwerther & Shepley about the insurance.

Regards to all

Yarmouth Me
Tuesday, 15. Oct. 1901.

Edwin O B Chamberlain.

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Oak Grove Seminary.
Vassalboro. Maine.
21. Oct. 1901.

Dear Cousin:

Yours of the 16th just at hand. I was just starting for a little holiday in Brunswick, and so have put off answering it.

I think it will be best to move, whenever convenient, to the Peoples Warehouse. I should think that there would be certainly enough for a $2.50 room, so it would be well to ~~take~~ arrange for a ~~$1 one~~ $1, one in case of overflow. The room that my goods are in now is rather larger than your hall or at 468 Stop. However I suppose that you could arrange to take the $2.50 room, and then if you can't get all into it, just overflow into the $1. one. Just use your own judgement; and move them as soon as you please. As to insurance; The present policy might as well be continued (as it ~~with~~ is only $400), and I will write the company directly and find out what will be necessary to do.

I send by mail today the keys which I think fit the bureau drawers. There are two bureaus, one locked & one not. I think both are ~~tied~~ tied with rope. In the upper drawers of one (I'm in Bonn drawer of it) there are two winter overcoats (black I think) of mine and a heavy black golf cape of mother's. Please get them if you can, even if you have to force the drawers open. "Never mind the furniture, just get the clothes."

It is very kind of you to take all the trouble about this for me, and I hope to be able to repay you at something.

Please keep a account of all expense incurred and

send me a bill of the same later. You perhaps remember that I owe you for those hob-nails, tho' I shall have no idea about what the price is until you write.

Mother has been visiting in Portland lately and seeing several old friends all of which has been very pleasant for her. I have been down to Brunswick attending fraternity initiation, all of which comes as a pleasant break in the slightly monotonous round of work here. Not but that the work is pleasant, but then the same thing over and over becomes rather tiresome after a while.

I haven't done a bit of collecting since I came here, haven't had the time perhaps I shall come to it later on, and amass a lot of Dicranum scoparium, Hypnum Saddamiam H. Schreberi and other common no-count things.

Well its mail time, will try to write a news letter soon. Remember me to all

Very truly yours

Edward B Chamberlain.

~~Inclose stamps for postage on nails.~~

Couldn't do it, no stamps here will NOT Take.

Oak Grove Sem. Vassalboro.
27. Oct. 1901.

Dear J.H.C.

As I am putting in some time today answering a stack of letters, I shall put you off with just a line or so. I will be in Providence, if nothing prevents, during my next vacation and will see about moving the goods myself. The vacation begins on the 23d of November at which time I hope to leave this benighted place for "fairer climes."

I will write the Providence Warehouse Co. to that effect, and also the Insurance company. The latter have informed me that an additional payment will be required, as the rate for the Peoples warehouse is

higher than at the Providence.

Hope that you are all well, and that I shall find you able to endure my presence for a few days, next month.

Botanizing doesn't amount to much now, tho I try to pick up a few things. Found today two trees of Platanus occidentalis, fruited, which much surprised me, being so far north.

Well remember me to everyone, and look out for a roaring letter on,

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain,

Prof. of "Thee & Thou-ism" in the Quaker Jail.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your care about the package. Don't trouble to forward it. I shall be down to Providence about a fortnight from now and can easily take it back with me.

Time is still wearing away up here, and I hope to see the end of the term before long.

Regards to all

E. B. C.

Passaconaway, N.H.
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Dear J.H.:

Shall see you sometime Saturday next, if nothing happens. By the way, please see that my address for forwarding mail from the Stewards office is corrected. They have it Vassalboro Maes. Below is the correct one

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Oak Grove Seminary Vassalboro Maine

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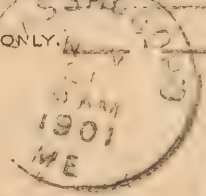

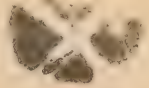

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Providence,
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Oak Grove Seminary.
Vassalboro
15 Dec 1901.

Dear Cousins:

There isn't much here which I can string together into a letter, but perhaps the enclosed maps may interest you somewhat. I am using them to indicate the distribution of the Boragers, and find them very useful. Will you be able to be present at the Portland Josselyn Soc. meeting on the 28th. I hope that I shall see you there. The fact is, I get tired here and long for a change of air at times.

Today we are having it in one sense, with a vengeance. Yesterday and today all the snow has gone off, as well as the ice in the river. It looks almost like spring. One consolation is, that our well will be filled up here, and no water famine will confront us this winter.

I suppose that you have heard from mother since I got home, saying that I arrived safely, and all things of that nature. Mother is better, I think, than when I left

last fall. Why I really can't say, but her general appearance seems far better, tho' her strength is not much.

Let me know if anything in regard to New England Boraceæ turns up, or in regard to new mosses etc: I wish I had a microscope here, tho' probably I shouldn't take enough exercise then. — I take barely enough now.

Give my kindest regards to all of the people in Providence — and especially to W.W.B.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

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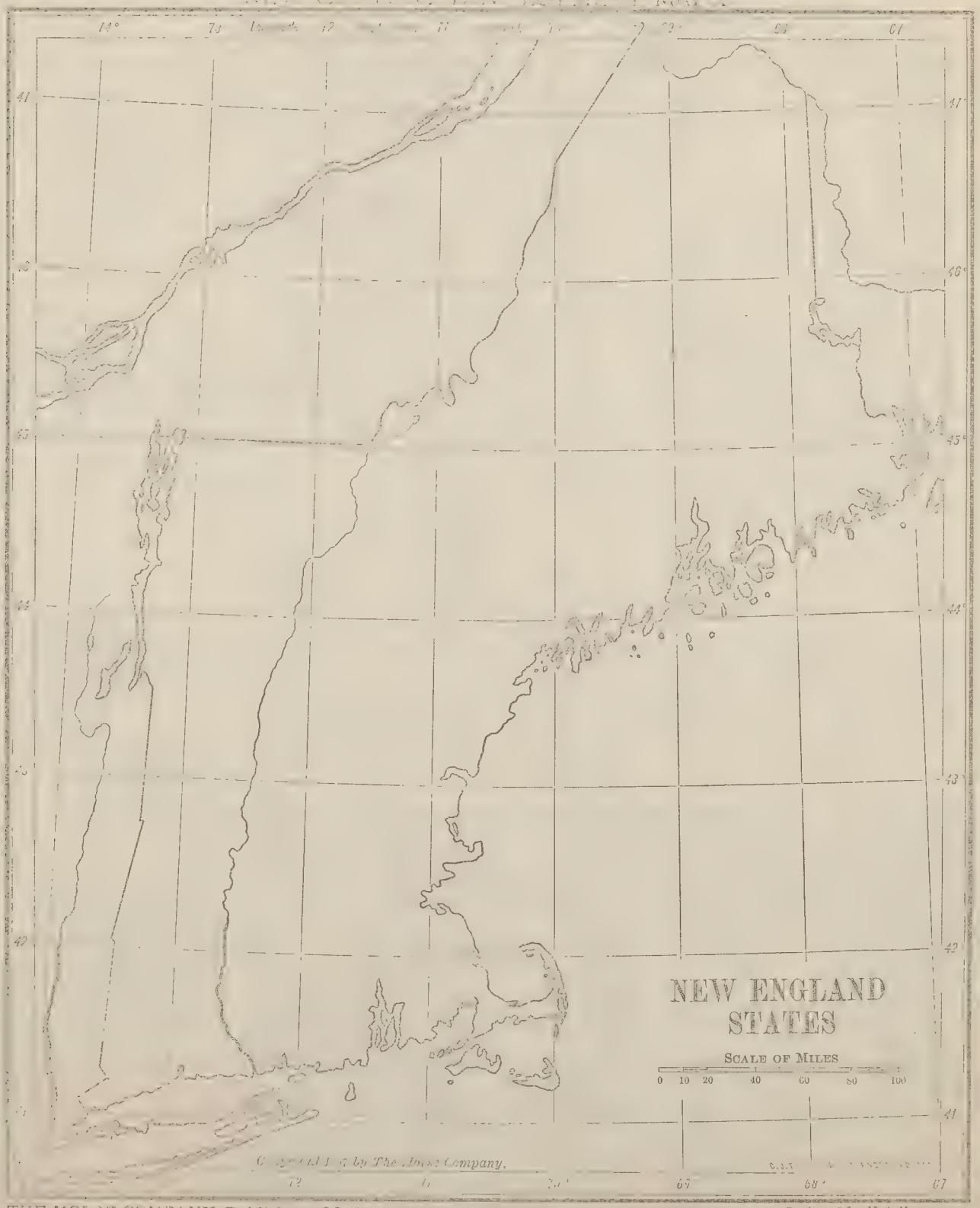

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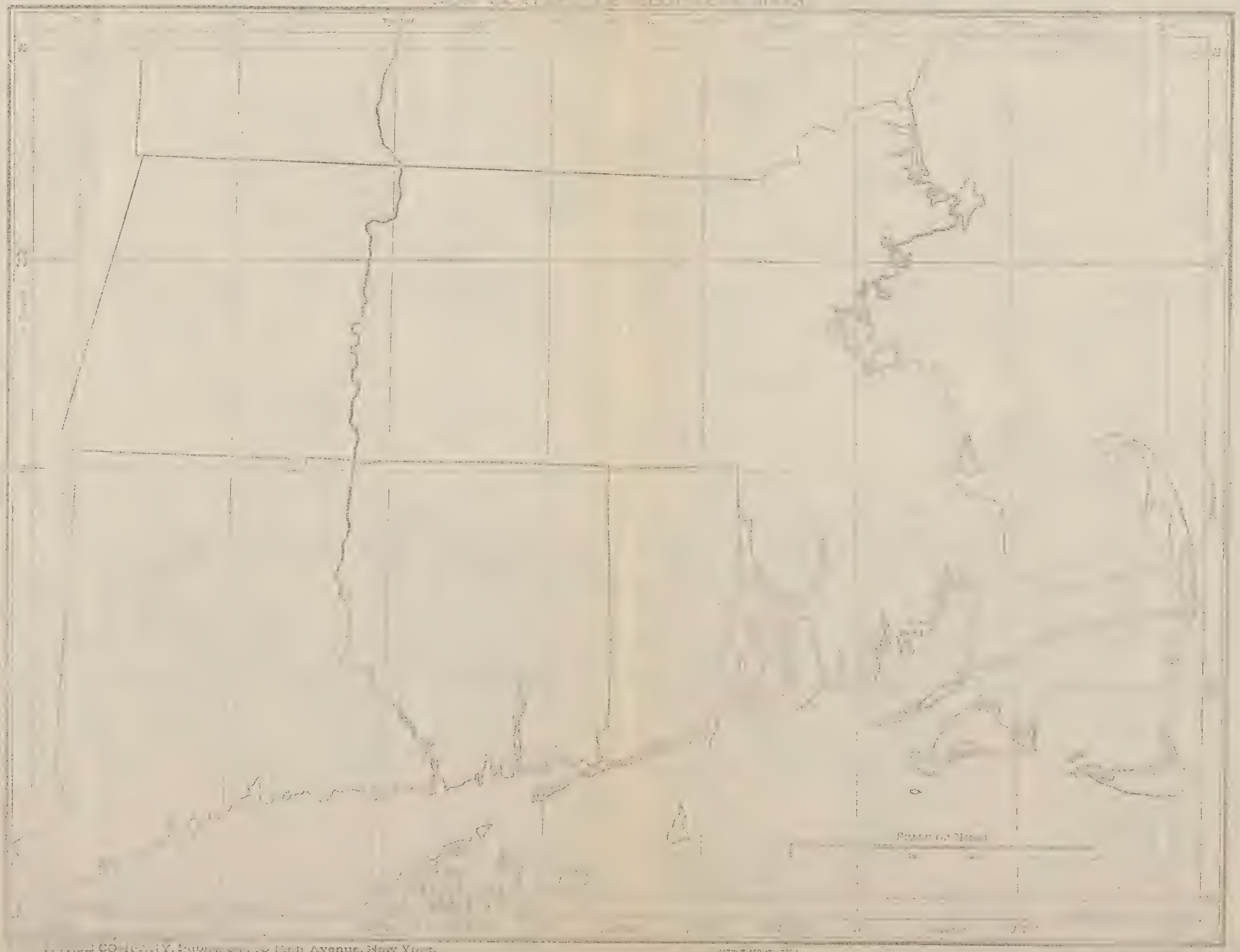

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Cumberland Center.
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Dear Collins:

We were very much disappointed that you were unable to be at Portland yesterday. And I hope that there is nothing serious the matter. We had a very pleasant meeting indeed Prof. Lane was not there but Fernald's paper (or talk) took up so much time that we did not miss it very much. The Rev Mr. Snow also got beyond his debit a bit and made some very serious statements about Green Leaves. We had a nice time, and a goodly number present. Several among them Miss Moneton, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Hanscid and Mrs. Davis wished to be remembered to you. Mrs. Davis' husband was also there, he is a meek inoffensive looking man, just what one would suppose from seeing Mrs. D. (Dalmer wrote Devil).

By the way meet you please be [illegible] how long you need the money for the Iowa trip gone? I attempted to send by

International Money Order Form Waterville.
Just say said this place where it is was
not ~~and~~ a money order office. Hit you
please use the form you send. I have
at the same time made some checks
back volumes. — Yes, I must cut
this short, this pen and ink is queer
so you must excuse things. Mortan wishes
me to say that ~~you see~~ she will write you folks
soon, and also sends ~~thanks~~ for
her ~~my~~ Christmas presents. I understand
that you and Fernald have proposed Dr. Fellows
for the N.E. Club. — Really for you, he is
all right and you can tell anyone I said
so too. Will scribble to you again before
long. Regards to all.

Edward K. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins:-

Pardon the postal; please send the copy of the Torrey Bulletin here and I will pay the postage on it. Every thing quiet here hope that you are well, will write before long. Remember me to all the folks and to W.W.B.

Very truly yours,

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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.

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Dear Cousins:

I enclose 25 cents ~~in~~. Please purchase ~~therewith~~ the six Gillotts 290 Drawing pens, and send them to me. I enclose cash so that ~~they~~ may be no ~~cos~~ trouble about the matter. Had a first rate time at Cambridge, coming home Sunday night as far as Portland and up here Monday morning. Got a lot of work done connecting catalogues and such things. I am now ready to begin work in earnest on Borage. Dr. Robinson was very much pleased with the map work, and strongly urged me to continue it as far as possible. He thinks that the club should pay more attention to just such things.

Just now we are all stirred up here over some amateur theatricals which are to come off Friday night. The teachers are kept busy getting costumes etc fixed up, and answering the innumerable tons fool questions that naturally arise upon such an occasion.

Have you any idea how much it would cost to have maps like those that I sent you

printed but showing in addition, rivers & lakes, county boundaries and the location of the principal towns? Some time soon I will send you a map showing just what I mean, and perhaps you can give me an estimate as to how much you think the cost per hundred would be.

Well, it is nearly eleven o'clock, and I have still other letters to write to-night, as well as Greek to get. Remember me to all ~~the Providence~~ people.

Ever truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

OAK GROVE SEMINARY
AND
BAILEY INSTITUTE,
VASSALBORO, MAINE.

Feby. 17, 1902.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the pens, and for the word about the maps. I am planning out such a thing slowly, and will probably send you some maps drawn to the scale I desire before the summer vacation comes. I imagine Dr. Robinson at Harvard could give us some advice when the time comes. He is much interested in it, and would perhaps be glad to purchase maps. However, more of this later. At present I have only time to attend to Mr. Dolan:

I remember the beast destinctly; in fact he used to stink so of tobacco & rum that one cannot but remember him destinctly. He did hand in essays in Botany 2; and as you may possibly remember, his last essay was such an exact copy of Kerner and Oliver, that we decided his talents were wasted upon us, and sent him elsewhere. In Botany 1, he did not hand in essays, tho' he was scheduled to do so. Hence he took only a 3 hour course, the fall term and a four hour one the winter term.

So it seems to me he has no basis for his "candate expression of grief." Personally I see no reason for granting him any favors, and know of many reasons why you should not do so.

Incidentally it seems to me that he is making a threat

a good while after the corpse has been interred. [interred]

You need not bother about remembering me to him. I doubt if he cherishes the best of feeling towards me.

Well. I have a class coming the next hour, and must get ready for it: Vacation begins here Friday noon, and I have all the fuss incidental to the term exams, to go through. Will write you more about those maps in a few days.

Remember me to WWB. Congratulate him for me upon the enclosed and tell him that my sentiments are written thereon.

With the kindest regards to Your worthy father, etc etc, (see the rest of 'em)

Very truly yours

Edward B Chamberlain

Too bad about the 25 cts. will forward it up, come later

E. C.

Cumberland Center Maine,
28 Feby. 1902.

Dear Collins;

I am having a vacation this week, and have improved the chance to get some back work made up. One thing has been in the line of the maps which you were speaking, or rather writing about. I enclose one of Maine, drawn about 20 m. to inch showing rivers and County boundaries. My idea on the map question is like this. Maine, you know, is of about the same area as the other New England states taken together. Now if we put the states into two maps, of the same scale it will be very easy to join the two and so make one large map. I think that this could be done with less trouble than making 3 maps as you suggested for they would then have to be different scales.

Then as to the size of the map. It seems to me that the size of 8 x 10 will be sufficient. this will be very nearly the size enclosed. County boundaries

lakes and rivers could be shown easily, also the chief towns. My idea is to draw large maps say 15 miles to inch and then reduce so that the printed one will go upon an 8 x 10 sheet.

The map I send shows the quarter degrees, perhaps it would be better to put down only the halves in the body of the map, leaving the quarters to show at the margin.

I wish that you would write me your ideas on the map question. There isn't any hurry of course, the delay ~~may~~ will produce a better thing in the end. I think that perhaps a few less rivers might be shown than in the map enclosed. Also in the case of Mass. Vt. & Conn. it would be very easy to indicate by circles the areas covered by such lists as Tuckerman & Frost's catalog, Gray's Flora of Kansas, the Berglin list &c.

Sunday I am to spend in Portland with Dr. Fellows, and I hope to get a chance to see the Portland Soc. of Nat. Hist. collections. I know an

idea that they are worth seeing, but it will satisfy my curiosity. I hope that next summer I can have a chance to put my own collections in shape. At present however we do not even know where we shall stay, or whether we will have a roof to cover our heads. Still we hope that something will turn up favorably. I hope also to be able to purchase a microscope at the close of next term, but my cash does not promise to hold out as well as it might. If I can't have a vision then I might as well give up all hopes of moses, for there is so much to do to get up to date.

I suppose that you are busy as ever in the department; how is the work on Wm's herbarium coming along? I wish it were that the herbarium could be put in shape there. Dr Robinson was lamenting to me the state of things, when I was at Cambridge.

I have just been looking

rather carefully Sutton's Botech Manual — Ye gods! what a beast of a thing in some ways. Have you seen how Pollard wades into Viola and Peerges into Aster? and in the matter of English names! — a "common" name is made for each species, of which there are fair examples.

"Tall flat-top white aster" = Aster umbellatus Mill.
Broad leaved Flat-top white Aster = A. amplifolius Wood.
Swamp dock-cress = Lampsana communis. L.
Mountain Cymopterus = Cymopterus montanus. Torr.
Hairy-jointed Meadow parsnip = Thaspium barbinode Nutt.

Truly there's naught in a name, but it's fearfully and wonderfully made. Such a name as, "Two-horse-drawn Forward moving Self-up-tipping Barrow vehicle" = Dumpcart, would be about as appropriate.

Still old Sutton's book will be useful, and very amusing also.

Today we are having a regular thaw: Snow has gone like hot rolls at a restaurant, and if nothing happens to stop it it will be all off the ground by Saturday. I have been in the house for the most of the vacation doing [illegible]

jobs in various directions. School opens next Wednesday for another twelve weeks term & I shall be through for the year, and ready for business.

I have planned enough work for next summer to occupy a full year. How much of it will come to pass I can't say. I have a letter from Whittenger of Oxford Conn. offering to exchange plants, and Mr. Bissell is also desirous of such work. Taken together with one I have under way with a Miss Flynn of Burlington Vt. I shall find means of disposing of my duplicate things readily enough.

Well it is nearly supper time and is getting too dark to write. Remember me to all the department family & Mother wishes to be remembered to you all.

Very truly yours

Edward B Chamberlain

Dear Collins:

Vassalboro. Mar 9. 1902

I notice among advertisements in last (Feby. 1902) Torrey Bull. that A W Evans has issued a work on Lejeuneae of the U S & Canada. in the Memoirs of Torry Club — price $1. Have you seen the book, and is it worth getting, also is Underwoods Index Hepaticarum (same series vol IV no 1) worth the 75 ct? Have just found some good Mnia Seidwigii in fin fruit. Otherwise mosses are not prospering. Those offered by me in last Bryologist. I will send you soon.

Regards to all, E. B. Chamberlain

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JAN 1902

Collins.

468 Hope Street

Providence,

R. I.

J.T.C.:

I send some mosses. I think you have specimens of the Fuem atodon which we got in Cumberland last summer. The Hedwigia you probably have also. The Ulota has not been studied beyond a hand lens, and may be mixed with some species of Orthotrichum which is very common here.

In regard to the Maine map, I knew it was out of proportion, but wanted your idea as to size. The

herbarium sheet size is good
will see what can be done about
it that size. As I understand
it, there is no difference in cost
of the plate, as to how much or
how little is on it. Thanks
for the notes about the books.
'Tis almost eleven o'clock
and as I have to arise at 6.30
I must get to bed. Regards to all

Sincerely

E. H. Rennebert

Vassalboro,
17 March 1902

OAK GROVE SEMINARY
AND
BAILEY INSTITUTE.
VASSALBORO, MAINE.

Dear Collins:

I have felt that I have owed you a letter for a long time, and yet there is so little to write that I can hardly muster up the courage to put pen to paper.

Since the snow has left us, I have been busy collecting on mosses. I have about 95 packets, many duplicates I suppose, tho I have tried to go at things systematically and avoid such peculiarness. I got a nice bit of Fissidens in fruit the other day, the first time I have ever gotten fruiting plants.

I am planning on the purchase of a microscope before the term closes, so I shall be poverty stricken this summer. I plan on a Bausch & Lomb BB2, at present, to which I can add the various accessories as the cash comes handy. This will give a good stand, and a chance for condensers, camera lucida &c later on. The list price is $53, but they have very kindly offered me a discount upon the same. On accessories this discount is 25% but I don't know how much it will be upon the microscope. I intend to write and find out definitely sometime this week.

Just at present, if you will keep mum please, I am trying after a position in a private school

in Washington D.C. My roommate has been there 3 years, and he thinks that I may get the place. It pays $900. about. That will be far better than this job in some ways, tho' there are outs to it. Just the same I am going to make a try for it. I shall have to teach a little of everything, but guess that I can stand that.

If I don't get this place in W.- I have quite definite assurances that the place here will be open to me for another year. At least the assurances are as definite as they can be until the agreement is actually made. So I am not likely to be thrown upon the cruel world again as I was last May. If you happen to know of any place near Providence tho' I should be very glad to try for it, provided its worth while, that means in most cases paying $800. In special botanical work I would seize at chances for less pay, I think.

Life has not enough changes here to really make any news to write about. We go on at the same pace, and enjoy life more than last term, since we are not cooped up so in the house. I have broadened out my domestic arrangements by the addition of a bedroom, and now feel quite grand.

Tonight I got a package of plants from Bissel of Southington St, and have also a small exchange with Harger, of Oxford St, under way. Bissel sent some extra good things.

Mother is as well as usual

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tho' lonely and inclined to be a trifle blue over the prospect for the summer. Pupils are scarce at Cumberland, and the outlook at present is not very encouraging. Still I think that a way will be found somehow out of the difficulty.

Term is just beginning with you I suppose, and you are glad enough to see the last term of the year at hand. I get the Brown Daily H——— so that I am in a way informed about the goings on there. Its strange that a little sheet like that should find its way up here into the wilds of Maine to encourage a poor soul like me.

Well its time that I go to bed, so this April first screed will have to be brought to a close. Remember me to all in Mercy basement, and to the rest of the Providence people. I hope to see you in June, anyway, perhaps a little earlier.

Very truly yours
Edward R. Chamberlain.

April first 90

OAK GROVE SEMINARY
AND
BAILEY INSTITUTE,
VASSALBORO, MAINE.

April 6. 1902

Dear Collins:

I am going to ask a favor of you just now. In my last letter you know, I mentioned that I might get a chance at a place in Washington D C this next year. Well, the place will be vacant, and I have put in an application for it. I shall be called upon to teach such things as German English Literature, Chemistry, perhaps Mathematics, &c. This place, is in the University School, Washington, which is solely a college preparatory school, which somewhat limits the choice of studies. Now what I want is this. Are you willing to write a letter to the principal of this school recommending me. As I shall have to teach very much botany, that can be kept in the background, but you can doubtless say something as to my general ability etc &c. I have written to W. W. B. asking for a similar endorsement, and shall be very thankful for anything that either of you can do in the matter.

The place pays about $900 per

year, and is as far as I know very desirable.
Of course, it's not scientific teaching, but still it is better by far than what I am in now, and may lead to things later on.
The address is Mr. Robert L. Preston.
1829 M Street N.W.
Washington,
D.C.
He is principal of the "University School."

Well, I haven't much more to say, news is scarce. Got a big bunch of fruiting Pissidens today. You shall come in for your share on these Tassaebos mosses later, if you want.
Remember me to all the people, Mother also sends her regards.
Very truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain.

Oak Grove Seminary.
Vassalboro Me.
29. April. 190

Dear Collins:

I have just returned from a trip to Washington D.C. and will scribble a note to you, in thanks for your kindness in writing to the people in Washington.

I have just got back from a personal interview with the principal and have impressed him with my desirability.

So I shall teach in the University School, Wash. D.C. next year

The place pays $900, but I have to pay all my expenses out of that. Still surroundings will be very congenial, and the work pleasant. The only drawback is that I shall have to teach gymnasium, but I guess I can bluff it and make the boys do most of the work.

About my streak of poverty. I hardly can tell yet how it will affect me, I hope not seriously. Will try to be at Machias anyhow, and perhaps some other trip.

I get a good vacation this year, from 24 May to 24 Sept.

Well, I have some more letters to write and must close.

Regards to all.

Edward D. Chamberlain

BROWN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY.

W. WHITMAN BAILEY, LL. D.,
Professor.
J. FRANKLIN COLLINS, PH. B.,
Curator and Instructor.
EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN, A. B.,
Assistant.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.,

Jamaica Pl. 24 May 1902.

Dear Collins:

Just a word to day in the form of a question. Have you received your ~~Bryol~~ Revue Bryologique for this year at all? I have a receipt from M. Husnot stating that my subscription has been received. ~~The~~ also two back volumes purchased have come, but nothing for this year. Can you give me any clue to the matter? Everything quiet here. Don't worry about the mosses yet

shall have your share in due time.
If you faint not.

Will write a decent ~~note~~
letter soon. this is only a hasty
note written before supper time.

With the best regards to all,

Veryfrutly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Vassalboro Me. 15 May, 1902.

Dear Collins:

I have ten or fifteen minutes befor the next class, and will utilize them to advantage. I have my microscope complete now. a Bausch & Lomb. BB4. I did not get a condenser, that will have to wait until next fall, also camera lucida, still they are coming very soon, if I can raise the money.

Thanks for the "Revue Bryologique" I have written Husnot, asking him to replace the missing numbers and to change my address correctly. Hope that all will be satisfactory from now on. — Do you suppose that I could have the loan this summer of the B.U. Herb. material in Convolvulaceae. I want to get what check list work

I can done in vacation, and as I cannot be near any large herb. I am going to get the Herb to come to me. ~~I shall~~ If I can have the material I should be very glad. I would like some at least of the foreign as well as the U.S. All the American material in that family ~~was~~ was mounted by me. I can let you know definitely just what I shall want later on. Provided you are willing to loan it for 3 months or so this summer.

I am going to try for a similar loan from Harvard, and possibly the Club Herbarium tho I am not particular about this last. Probably I shall see you personally about things before I want them, as I wish to come up to the next club meeting. June 14

Fernald is to spend Saturday & Sunday of this week (17th & 18th) with me, and I

expect we shall paint the town red, tho' the severe cold snap last Saturday set things back a good deal.

Has Dr. Fellows told you of the changes and "ructions" that are going on in the Port. Nat. Hist. Soc. rooms. There are about a dozen Portland people who meet there every week for herbarium purposes, and they are really getting the old things in consultable shape. Dr. F. recently wrote me that he had found a nearly complete set of S & J. Mess. Am. Bot. ~~Lpt~~. Isn't that fine. I shall endeavor to get hands upon them this summer. Really Dr. F. is to be congratulated upon his work.

Well, it is nearly time to go to class again. We will hope for a trip into the woods if possible. I will go even if it takes a leg, but I shan't

have much cash to line the gutters with, after the microscope this I got enough discount to make it $37.50

Well, regards to all, and the hope of seeing you soon

As usual.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Maine.

30 May, 1902

Dear Collins.

We are all up in arms here just now, pending moving. Next Monday we shall go into what I hope are permanent quarters. At least there are but few signs that they will not be permanent. By the end of the coming week we ought to be well bedded down.

I am going to try to get up to the June club meeting, and if I do I shall spend Sunday at least with you in Providence. To speak frankly, I shan't have over & above enough money for the summer, after the purchase of the mices, and I am planning to husband my funds as much as is possible.

Still I want to see you personally about a number of things, and also to see the people at Cambridge as I feel that there is little doubt, but that I shall be up to the June meeting, and then I come down to Providence some time Saturday.

I have written for the goods to be

shipped to me here, and I am expecting them any day. I rather gamble upon their arriving here about Tuesday of next week. If so I shall be well ~~settled~~ here by June 15th and shall be ready to receive visitors at anytime after that date.

Can't you plan to come down here so as to go from here to the Joselyn Society fracas? Come anytime ~~that~~ you will find convenient, only let me know in time to slaughter the fatted calf that I have had in the barn for the past few years. (10-15)

I am expecting some rare good times now that I can have all my plants together and give them a general hauling over, and I have a huge stock to go into the collection.

I am very sorry that I didn't see your ~~father~~ and mother in their way home from Anson, but I didn't get mother's letter, and as it happened, I couldn't have met that train anyway. Still I hope to see them when in Providence. Mother will, I think, add a note to this and explain matters fully.

I am fully as glad as you that matters have taken such a start at the Portland Nat. Hist. Soc. Dr. Pellows, Miss Moulton, and a few others seem to be really devoted to progress. I think that there is a chance

for life in the dry bones lower opt. They have organized a "Field and Herbarium Club, which has a field excursion about every Saturday, and spends an evening per week, during part of the season at least, mounting things at the Nat Hist Soc. Rooms. There are ten or twelve members, and do considerable work. I believe they mount by gummed strips, as being more expeditious, easier to. It really is better, since the collections will the sooner become accessible. I hope to get in to Portland to some of their meetings or excursions this summer.

Well, I hardly know where to commence upon my summers work, except to collect all that I see. I have most of the commoner mosses of this region now, and hardly care to collect a lot of duplicates. Don't you worry about your shares, of it, they will come soon enough, when I get to naming things for good and all.

I suppose its no use to write news, as mother will pump everything out here. I really cant think of much to write after all, in the way of newsy things. Today I suppose you are away upon some trip to Skundeis, or Dunckenville or some out of the

way Rhode Island hamlet, while we poor mortals shiver with cold, and wish that Spring would hurry up. I really think it is chilly tonight, and for the last few days we have had a fire in the parlor stove, just to keep the House warm. But the mosquitoes don't mind the chill, My, I never saw the like of them. It is simply agony to stay steel in the woods unless you are stuck up well protected.

Give my best regards to Bailey, tell him that I will remember him to the President next year, when I open my Annual Palace on Pennsylvania Avenue. (On the side it isn't all built yet). Remember me also to Mrs. Jucker Mr. J. and the remaining people at 468 Hope St.

Very truly yours this June 6th.

Edward R. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center Me
3 June 1902

Dear Collins:

We are all "in heaps" here too, just today moving into what we really hope to be permanent quarters. Everything has been carted up here, and a few of the things put away but we shall be the balance of the week getting settled a bit.

In consequence of this I think it will be impossible for me to attend the Nat Club meeting before Friday morning & probably not until Friday noon. I thank you ever so much for your invitation to come down Friday Night, (Sat AM) but really dont see how I can

If I don't get to Boston until 4 P.M. Friday I shall need until the middle of Sat. P.M. to do my work there.

Anyway I will be in Providence Saturday night, and will ~~probably~~ stay until Monday night anyway. I am sorry that I must make such a flying visit; but, this house moving, (and I expect all my Providence goods by a week from tomorrow) will keep me on the hustle till the 15th of this month. From then on I hope for a quiet summer.

Do you see how we are, and I hope you will forgive me for not accepting your ~~the~~ hospitality quite so early in the morning, or late in the week.

Mother is very tired tonight, or would doubtless add a line herself. We hope to get this lot of goods out of the way so as to be ready for the others when they come.

Well will see you Friday.

With the kindest regards to all

Edward B Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Maine,

13 p.m. 1902.

Dear Collins:

Arrived safely at 12 midnight Tuesday, not a drop of rain falling on us after we left Boston. Found mother fairly well, the owing to too much walking on Patriots Tuesday she had to keep quiet Wednesday & Thursday.

Have been busy of late getting my work room put into usable shape, and now have fairly well succeeded. Tell Mrs. Jenckes that mother will write her about the chair in a day or two, and not to get alarmed over it.

Now in regard to our business. Mrs. Chamberlain, says go to Bingham Maine to lay all means. She puts the limit of expense at $40. She accounts say get & spend anything you want up to $40, and stay any length of time up to 3 weeks. Of course I want to keep under both limits if I can, but I guess there is no trouble about our going to Moxie. Please let me know, however what you think the expense will actually be. I shall not

Machinas at all, tho I am not seeing people to see yet. We hoped that those <u>damned</u> goods would be here today, but no signs of them as yet. Curse the old Railroad anyhow.

Well, I must mail this. Regards from my this family to all the house of Cactus,

Yours affectionately
[illegible]

Cumberland Center Maine.

17 June, 1902.

Dear Collins:

Your letter with enclosed map received. Thanks for it. I am going to do my best to get satisfactory maps on my own part. I enclose a list of the mosses you have given me. A few of the Ktaadn things I have "stolen" bits of as I was working on them. Two of them were unnamed when you gave them me.

I enclose a moss. Please if you have time, identify, or confirm my identification. Don't hurry. I am neither [illegible]

If this is as I think, isn't it new to Maine? and if this is true do you think it worth while to send a short note to "Rhodora" in response to Fernald's frantic appeal.

The goods are en route !!!! and I expect to hear that they are at the RR station [illegible]

tomorrow. Truly the word moves slowly, but it does move at last.

Well, I must run to the P.O. with this. Regards to all

Hastily

E. B. Franklin

Dear Collins, June 24 1906
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Pardon my neglect of you. When I got home I found mother quite sick. Then the goods came and altogether drove your request out of my head. Yes, the plants came safely, and I shall soon be at work on them.

I will send a note to Rhodes on Melaconium.

You remember that our June Nepsis defoliator was so well cut down. I was skeptical at the time. Today I found a second tree, 30 ft high, in fruit. I have good specimens. Hope to see you hereafter. Hope all the good times possible. Don't forget the stay at home in movies. Cordially, J. B. C.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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Mr. Thomas Collins
468 Prospect St.
Providence R.I.

Cumberland Center, Me.
13 July, 1902.

Dear Collins:

The mosses were received all right from Cutler. As far as I can see they are correctly named. Ulota phyllantha. Aulacomnium androgynum. & Grimmia maritima.

The last has not been reported from Me. I feel sure. Ulota is given in Mt. Desert Flora. Aulacomnium has been collected twice before (I have specimens). but I think publisher reports are wanting.

I was glad enough to get them.

Well I am busy enough just now. First we had to get settled partway. It will all come yet, perhaps it never will be, but we are in a fair way towards it; all except picking over old odds and ends. Then I had a lot of back work in straightening out collections to do. That is only underway, as yet. Thirdly I have a garden, a lawn, a backyard & an other incidentals to take care of. So you see, with all taken into account I am [illegible]

I went into Portland [illegible] and met Bissel [illegible]

yet I was very down, from the effec. Mfs. which I had been for three days. We finally concluded to spend the rest of Saturday, Sunday, & most of Monday with me. We had a nice time, but of course a lot of work piled up for Tues, & Wed.

My rucksack is done, and all ready to be filled. I could get no brown cloth waterproof, so I got heavy white duck cloth. Then I came, of course, for it to be made of heavier, as if for oilcloth. It would make it completely waterproof. — Tuesday of this week I go to Farmington to spend the rest of the week with Clarence Fairbrother, of course it is needless to state the object of the visit. I may also spend a little of the week following in Chesterfield with Mary Eaton, if we not positive. I shall be home by Thursday the 29th inst. and almost anytime afterwards all the ready for Maine. I should like to have a day or two at home before the excursion of Maine as I have many errands to do which I shall need up in Somerset Co. so soon as I don't want to mix all my Franklin Co. specimens along with me, I know.

Well, I guess this outlines all my places so far, until I see you. I shall be real happy as

[illegible] [illegible], but it may not be altogether [illegible].

Pritz and Passengers of you [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Dear Pollyin,

Middle of August for the worst hay fever I ever had, but I must if possible be back here by the first of September, since I want to get some of the Goldenrods & Asters around here collected. I don't just know when my Washington work begins, but about the 25th of Sept. I think. I shall go on there a few days early.

I had a fine time at Farmington and did some good collecting, mostly flower-fungi, but I think in Massachusetts I have Thalictrum dioicum. I also got Uredinea for the first time I found Hypnum cristacastrensis in fruit. Just now I am deep in Cuscuta. What a starved-fungi Connecticut is anyway, simply cursed.

I see the Coleus family has got into Illinois headover heels in this last number, Veronica Chamaedrys & Lycopodium, give it to them hard. Well, I shall follow suit in the Aug. no. While at Chesterville I got a couple specimens of Rhus vernenata and didn't get poisoned a bit. How's that? — Well, I'm now

I have to go hunting tomorrow and must get to bed early, so this will have to do for the present. Mother send her best wishes to all of you.

Truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain

Cumberland Md.
Feb 19 '97

Cumberland Center. 5 Aug, 1902.

Dear Collins:

Your card received. Any time after the 12th will be satisfactory to me, and I will hold myself in readiness to start at a moments notice. I have a rubber blanket & will bring a good but old mackintosh which will stand water quite well. About dryers etc, will 250 driers, and 700 folded papers be sufficient. This is my total stock in trade, and I hope it will [illegible].

Wednesday of this week the Clark's from Providence come to stay until Friday morning, and I have invited Dr. Fellows to spend Saturday and Sunday with me.

I haven't been doing much collecting there has been too much else to do. Settling down and fixing up is slow tiresome work after it is said & done.

Well. I hope to see you in a week or ten days. Personally I shall be glad of a chance to try real camping out; it will be a new experience for me. By the way, if it will avoid any trouble with the Maine Fish and Game Laws, cuss 'em, I pay a poll tax here in Cumberland; so I ought to be considered a resident of the state.

Mother joins in cordial regards to you.

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlin.

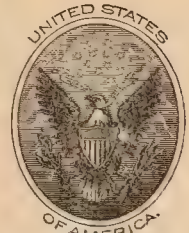
Ps. Can you tell me the address of James L. Bennett; he of the R.I. Catalogue of Plants. I am going to drop a line to W.W.B. asking for the name.

E.B.C.

Dear Collins.

I will go into Portland and get you the dozen plates Monday. and will be ready to start as soon as possible thereafter by Tuesday am if you wish. I need have to leave Oakland on the 4.35 probably. as I can't get there early enough for 9.13 (train leaves Lund at 8.50). Still you may get another postal. Telegraph if you want. I will be ready to start in 30 min. after receipt. The Clarks went yesterday. Had a very nice time. Everyone well here. Yours.

Aug 9. 1902. E. J. Chase (collection)



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Prof. J. R. Coleman
Care Chas Cossy
Brighton
Mass.

Dear J.H.C.,

Will be on hand Thursday P.M., unless volcano or similar act of God intervenes.

Have 1 doz. Pole plates for you. They must be here before June 1903.

Everything else is OK.

Hear that I heard of Mace leave here tomorrow morning. Will spend part of day in Nashville hunting for Commissioners committee [illegible]

Yours ever

Wednesday. E.W.C.

POSTAL CARD - ONE CENT.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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Prof. J. P. Cleaves,
Mt. Cobb,
Bingham,
Me.

Sept. 1902

Dear Cousins:

Miss Eaton came here tonight, and will stay until next week, I hope not longer than Tuesday. To-morrow we make a short trip for the forenoon near here, to get some plants that Leavitt of No. Easton Mass wanted. Saturday we shall go down to the seashore to botanize unless I hear from you that you can spend that day here. I wish you could come out so as to be here over Sunday. Please write me, and mail it before the 8 o'clock collection Friday night, just when you can come here. I shall get your letter on the morning mail Saturday, if mailed early Friday evening, and we shall not start for the shore before 10 o'clock I think.

All well here, and everything flourishing. I met Fernald on the train as I came down. He said that the Galium of G boreale was extra good. He also remarked that the small gray Buck did not get north of Old Town in the Penobscot valley so Bingham may be north limit in the

Remember Friday.

Now, write me when you get back to Providence, and I will then send you a longer letter. I have written the Cambridge Bot Co for prices on labels.

Remember me, please, to Dr Fellows and family.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center Me

10.30 P.M. [illegible]

Cumberland Center 9 Sept. 1902.

Dear Collins:

Your card came safely to hand. I thought you might have gone directly to Providence. I am sorry you could not stop off, tho' as it turned out it is just as well. Miss Lillian O. Eaton has been here since Tuesday night, (she goes this morning), and she has tired us all out. She is very hard to entertain, and very peculiar; also she has many ways which in this generation she is very unlady like. I shall not invite her again soon.

Both mother and I are much disappointed that you could not come; you know we are always glad to see you no matter what the circumstances. Next year you must plan to come a week here first during the early part of your vacation. Then we shall have other company troubling us at all.

I have sent to the Cambridge Cot Company, for prices, and find that they charge 25 cts to hundred, 65 cts for 500, and $1.00 the thousand for labels such as we receive.

Now, I have enough plants to make 200 labels desirable at least of the "Mono Pleasant Red Region". So I am going to order 500 of that kind. Of the special labels of the Bingham region I don't know how many I shall want, not over 125 I think at present. From what you said I strongly hope one of the latter will be all that is needed. I shall send for the 500 lot now but will wait until I hear from you before ordering those of the region about Bingham. Let me know if you think 200 is enough for both of us.

By the way, did I ever give you specimens of the Asclepias quadrifolia or Paraknemia cryptospermum that we collected at Emmerock in 1901? I have duplicates not, and have held them for you. I know you wanted them, and I have forgotten whether I ever gave them or not, so I have a few Bingham plants to spare. I will put the others in if you desire it.

Well, I am busy as a bee, I leave for Washington by the 22d at the very latest, and

have a lot to do before that. The assistant teacher at the Academy, a young woman about 22, boards and rooms here, so Mother will not be alone this winter. The lady, Miss Merrill, is very pleasant and we like her very much. She will be good congenial company for Mother this winter, and I feel much easier about this than I did before.

I will return the plants to the Gray Herbarium within ten days probably. I haven't had the time to do all the work that I wanted on Convolvulaceae, but managed to get all thro' the Gray Herb plants, and something done on the Bell ones.

I must go to breakfast now, mail these letters, get the milk, send an Express package, talk to Mrs Eaton, and be the "whole article" generally. So now letter must end. Remember me to your people & the Brooks family. Mother sends the most cordial greetings to all. I will try to write a long letter soon.

Very truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain

About Sept. 17, 1962

Dear Collins:

I send today by express a package of plants, which I have, belonging to the B.U. Herbarium. I hope they will arrive safely. I haven't done all the work I wanted to on them, but that must partly go over until another season I guess. At anyrate I shall do my work at Brown, rather than have any sending 'round of plants. With the plants I enclose a pamphlet belonging to the Herbarium, and a couple specimens for your own herb. There are a few others for you among the Bingham plants which I will send along later.

Monday I leave for Washington. I shall spend the afternoon at the Herbarium at Cambridge as I have some plants to be named & take the sleeper for Wash. on the Colonial Express. Then I shall be there until

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Christmas when I get about 10 days off.
My address then is

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington D.C.

Well, I am hard at work getting the odds and ends cleared up. and havin't time for a long letter.

Give my regards to all, We are well here & busy. Mother sends her regards and best wishes to all of you.

As ever

Edward B. Chandler

Dear Collins:

I send today 250 labels of Moxie Region.

Those of the Bingham region I have not yet ordered.

We can get 500 as cheaply as 250, so wouldn't it be worth while to have them printed in some form that will do for permanent work, say, like the Moxie one but with date and setticle left off? Let me know your ideas on the subject. I shan't order till I get to Washington anyway.

All are well here

but naturally very busy.

I hope to see you sometime before next Summer, but I can't tell as yet.

Rec'd a letter today notifying me that Holzinger and myself are nominated for the presidency of the Sullivant Mass Chapter. For goodness sake don't you vote for me. I don't want it at all, at all. Not that there is any danger of course, but Mr H. should have a good handsome unanimous vote.

Regards to all

Edward B. Chandler

Sept 18, 1902.

1830 Jefferson Place, Sept 28. 1905.
Washington D.C.

Dear Collins:

Yours of the 22d rec'd at hand: I will, as soon as I hear from the old bill, order from the Camb. Bot Supp. Co. 500 labels like this:

MAINE FLORA, SOMERSET CO.
Vicinity of Bingham - 45°-5' N. 69°-50' W (or what may be right).

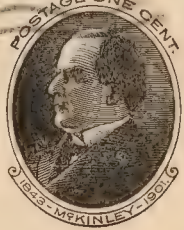
J. Franklin Collins
Edward B. Chamberlain

Alt.....

Let me know if this meets your approval. Size of type like Morio labels

Saw Fernald in Cambridge last Monday (the 22d) Galium boreale is the plant from the field near the outlet: Previously collected in Me. only at Exeter: Everything going on smoothly as yet, but not more than fairly started: Will send you a longer letter when leisure comes: Regards to all the family.

Your share on Morio labels 34cts — E. B. Chamberlain.



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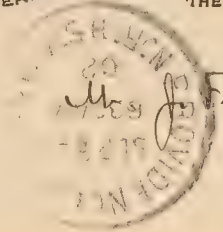

Mrs J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St.
Providence,
R. I.

List of Mosses which I have from Florence:

2243	X1982
2176A	X773
2259a	X295
2263	X1159
2307	
2290A.	
1804	833
1557	2405. this is unnamed.
1647	Hypnum montanum (I don't know, [illegible]
1662a	[illegible], unnamed " " " " "
1836	
1808	Hope this will explain things.
267	
1256	
1822B	
1314	
1840	

1830 Jefferson Place

Washington D.C., Oct 18. 1902

Dear Collins:

Your card came safely to hand, but I have to postpone all long letters till the end of the week when I can get some spare time for writing. I enclose a money order for $5.66/100 which will I think square accounts between us as far as fuld glassware labels go. Please let me know if all is satisfactory.

Yes, I have a bundle of mouses here, my mice, and also a bundle of caries, but at the present rate, I shall get but little time to study them. I hope that later on I may find opportunity on Saturdays for a little work of this kind but it certainly has not shown up as yet. There doesn't seem to be any time left over after I have done my day's work, beyond what I need for getting out doors. You may see by the enclosed schedule that I have enough to do. My room seats about 20 pupils, and I have now 16 in it. As there are but 34 in the school, I think I have my share of boys. I have all but my Physics & Chem.

pretty classes in a room where I have to keep order as well as hear boys recite. It is hard work, tho' they are all nice boys. They come mostly from wealthy families, and are not used, in many cases, to obeying from the word go. Still I have managed to sit on the safety valve so far, and I think that from now on there will be but little trouble with the boys. The class room work is not hard, but there is a good deal of it. Not so many of the lessons require preparation beforehand, as that they have to be attended to, while keeping a dozen boys still is reasonably so. As you see by the schedule, the week is divided into sets of 5 times, 3 times & 2 times-a-week recitations. All recitations below 8 have to be made up again after school, and much of this falls on my shoulders. At ~~[illegible]~~ 1, I dismiss each of my boys who have neither demerits or work to make up, and at 1.30 I take charge of the headmaster's room while he goes to lunch. I consequently have to hear most of his boys make up as well as my own boys, and to hear a boy in spelling keeps two busy in arithmetic, and a fifth in Latin, is a job which must be tried to be appreciated. Still I am not dead yet, and hope to be alive next summer.

Schedule.

Mon. Wed. Friday		Tues. Thurs.
Go to Breakfast.	8.	Breakfast
Arrive at school Bldg	8.30	Go to School.
Spelling	9.	Spelling
Eng Literature	9.15	I Rhetoric
(Pins or Wash) Latin.	9.40	Eng Grammar II
Geography.	10	I Hooker's Nat Hist
El. Latin	10.20	II Nat History
[illegible]	10.40	Physical Geog.
Elementary Geography	11	II Rhetoric
Advanced Geography	11.20	III Grammar
Writing	11.40 – 12	Writing
German.	12 – 12.20	German.
[illegible]	12.20 – 12.40	I Grammar
Lunch	12.40 – 1	Lunch.
Physics.	1 – 1.30	Adv. Chemistry.
Make up work	1.30 – 2.30	Make up work
Report to principal	2.30 – 3	Report to principal
Gymnasium.	3 – 4	Gym.
Leisure!	4 – 6	Leisure!

I have a very nice room here, convenient to the school and to the place where I board. There is a good north light, and all is arranged conveniently. It's 3d floor about 12 x 16, with 3 northern windows occupying all of one end. Right back of it, the southern room, is occupied by the other assistant teacher in the school. ~~Mr Stubbs~~ This makes it very pleasant for me, since he is quite congenial company.

I board about a dozen doors away, at the corner of 18th & Jefferson Place, right on my way to school.

Since I have been here I haven't done much going around more than a walk down town for a paper at night, and an occasional street Sunday afternoon to see what the city was like. I really haven't had the time, but even now I can begin to see that the work is growing easier, and I hope for more leisure in the future.

You I suppose are hard at work, with nearly 6 weeks of the term done, and all fairly under way. Well I wish that I could know of a way to see you [illegible]

year, but at present the outlook is hardly favorable. Don't bother yourself about this picture, there is no great hurry about them anyway, and I can wait. Mother is quite anxious to see them, and I shall carry them home to her Xmas at Christmas time, when you forward them. They had better come here tho.

Well, Fernald tells me that I have several good things in my Vagabond series, two or three things known from only a few stations in New England and he wants a Rhodora note on it which I suppose must soon be thought of.

It is 10.30 now and I must go to bed. My regards to all the folks. Jucher's all in, also to W W B

Very truly yours
Edward L. Rand Jr.

Please let me know how many copies of the Rare Plants you have. I'll check your Mine don't come very regularly

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington D.C.
Oct 29. 1902

Dear Cousin:

The photos came all right yesterday. Accept my thanks for the set, I shall value them highly as a souvenir of our trip to Mexico. Everything is going on here in good shape but with plenty of work for the poor teacher to do.

You numbered the photos, I see. I can make out in most cases where they were taken and when, but for a few I shall later write you for data. Give my best wishes to all the folks in Providence. Especially to WWB.

Tonight I have time for more than this brief note. Thanks for note about the Revue Bryologique. I have rec'd nos 1, 2, 4, 5, for 1902 but no number 3. I must write Mons. Husnot before long and explain the case, and also send my

subscription for 1903. Glad to hear that you have Catoscopus from N.B. I have Moses, micro' and all other tools here, but the time — alas it cometh not.

Very truly yours

Elmer B. Chandler

Dear Collins,

Glad you have proposed Whipple for membership. I have just written Mr. Rand a letter seconding the proposal, and shall be glad to hear of his election.

All well as usual here, but busy. Yesterday afternoon I took a little vacation, and studied some on the Gymnotonum from Winslow. I hardly know what to call it; so I sent some to Holzinger, and have written Mr. Maxon of the National Museum to know when I can compare it with the plants.

in the Government collections.
Will let you know later how
successful I am.

Give my regards to all the
Providence people,

Very sincerely yours
Edward B. Chamberlain

1835 Jefferson Place
Washington D.C.
16 Nov. 1902.

Dear J.F.C.,

I wish to call your attention to an offer of New Zealand ferns in the October Fern Bulletin. You may want them — for the Herbarium.

All quiet here, but I hope to settle the Gymnostomum problem before very long.

Yours

Edward B. Chamberlain

1835 Jefferson Place
Washington D.C.

19 Nov. 1902.

1830 Jefferson Place.
Washington D.C.,
4 Dec 1902.

Dear Collins:

I am just recovering from the measles, and shall perforce make a short letter. I was taken sick a week ago Thursday, but recovery has been very rapid, and unless something unforseen occurs I shall be out of the house by Monday next. Strange to say, the attack has left my eyes in better condition ~~than~~ they have been for several years.

Regarding the moosers. You had best keep the drawings with you for a while yet. I will look the whole thing up later, and think that I may have a few more names and notes to send to you. This coming week I shall have little to do, as I shall not begin teaching until about the 15th, and with care I can use my eyes quite a little. For the present however I must close. Regards to all,

Edward D. Chamberlain.

Washington D.C.
1830 Jefferson Place
Dec 8th 1902

Dear Collins:

I am just beginning to use my eyes somewhat after my measles. Today I have been outdoors for the first time since Nov 28th. I have recovered very rapidly, and am in better health than before. My eyes especially have much improved I think. Everyone has been very kind to me here, and I have been made a very spoiled child, I fear. The scholars at the school sent in custards, broth, baskets of fruit etc in abundance.

I am doing no teaching this week, but expect to go back to work on the 15th. During this week I shall try to see something of the city and to do some comparisons at the National Museum, especially in the case of that phlogary Hymnostomum. Holzinger, to whom I sent a piece says it is typical G. curvirostrum scabrum, but exactly agrees with what some European botanists have called that, and it needs more study, etc. Some day I will know it or describe it as var

perplexans vai nor.

How are you all at Providence? Your cards have not been very newsy, and I fear that you could charge the same fault against my letters. I fear both of us last time, and hence must be charitable. I am getting the swing of my school work very well now, and its easy. lots of fun, too. The boys, with one or two possible exceptions, are very likeable little fellows, and I enjoy teaching them very much. Then the other assistant teacher, who has a room next to mine at the house here, is a most congenial and likeable fellow.

Thanksgiving time I had Rockwell of Brown 1903 down for a couple of days, and we managed to have a good time even if I did come down with the measles, the last day of his visit. I shall leave on the night express Dec. 22d for home, and shall have about a fortnight there. I may yield to temptation far enough to start back early and take in the

January Club Meeting. I don't know as yet I have to be back here in time for school Monday July 5th so that it means take the night express Saturday. If I do come up you may see me in Providence, but I shall promise anything as yet.

Well, I have more work to do and my eyes need resting. Give my best regards to WWB, to 46 Hope St and 227 Doyle Ave.

Very truly yours
Edward B Chamberlain.

Mosses. E.B. Chamberlain.

Determinations by E.B.C. unless noted otherwise.

MS = Mrs Stevens
JPC = Collins

60 Neckera pennata Hedw
1 Pylaisia velutina
2 Cephalozia divaricata & Hypn Hald.
3 Orthotrichum stangulatum ?
4 Dicranum undulatum
5 Neckera pennata
6 Dicranum flagellare
7 Brachythecium
8 Pylaisia intricata.
9 Neckera pennata
70 Pylaisia intricata.
1 Dicranum flagellare
75 Atrichum undulatum
78 Dicranum fulvum
79 Porella platyphylla
81 Thuidium recognitum
2 Polytrichum piliferum
4 Ulota Ludwigii
5 Frullania Asagrayana
6 Bazzania trilobata
7 Dicranum flagellare
8 Dicranella heteromalla

89 Ptilidium ciliare
90 Polytrichum juniperinum
3 Pellia epiphylla ?
4 Funaria hygrometrica
6 Mnium cuspidatum
101 " "
2 Polytrichum juniperinum
5 Hypnum Haldanianum
109 Drummondia clavellata
110 Petraphis pellucida
106 Funaria hygrometrica
108 Hypnum Haldanianum
119 Atrichum undulatum ♀
121 Plagiothecium turfaceum Det. JPC
2 Atrichum undulatum ♂
3 Amblystegium adnatum Det. JPC
4 Frullania Eboracensis
5 a Thuidium recognitum
b.
126 Mnium punctatum
7 Rhynchostegium micaceum
8 a Schwenia undulata
132 Mnium punctatum elatum

134 Mnium hornum
5 Amblystegium Lescurii
140 Funaria hygrometrica
1 Hedwigia ciliata
3 Tetraphis pellucida
4 Dicranum fuscescens
5 Sphagnum cymbifolium. Det. M.L.S.
7 Trematodon ambiguus.
9 Pogonatum brevicaule
150 Dicranum scoparium var.?
1 " "
2 Hylocomium triquetrum
3 Bryum roseum.
160 Dichelyma capillacea
1 Hedwigia ciliata.
5 Dicranum scoparium.
170 Climacium dendroides.
1 Thuidium recognitum
4 Mnium affine
175 Philonotis fontana ♂ fl.
177 Leucobryum glaucum
8 Dichelyma capillacea
9 Mnium punctatum
181 Orthotrichum sp.

183 Climacium dendroides. fid. M.L.S.
(This v 193 I am not sure which from her lecture I took it plant here)
184 Ceratodon purpureus fid M.L.S.
186 Bryum bimum. det. M.L.S.
187 Steere Pellia. (I have thrown it away)
189 Funaria hygrometrica
190 Hedwigia ciliata
192 a Hylocomium triquet
b. Mnium affine rugicum.
c. Mnium affine.
194 a Dicranum scoparium var
b = ?
197 Neckera pennata
200 Tetraphis pellucida.
203 Hypnum reptile. fid M.L.S.
205 Bryum roseum
206 Atrichum undulatum ? (E&C) angustatum M.L.S.
209 Brachythecium salebrosum
210 Dicranum flagellare
211 Riccia Sullivantii det. A. Evans
212 Preissia commutata
213 Atrichum pallidum det. M.L.S.

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216 Gymnostomum recurvirostrum
var scabrum (EBC)
not according to Holzinger.
(Will write later in detail, have
sent specimen to Husnot).

217 Bryum pallescens det M.S.S

219 Funaria hygrometrica

222 Polytrichum strictum

3 Preissia commutata

225 Ptilidium ciliare

6 Ceratodon purpureus

228 Ptilidium ciliare.

236 Hypnum Haldanianum

6 a Dicranum fuscescens

b. Bazzania trilobata

c. Lepidozia reptans.

238 Dicranum scoparium.

239 Polytrichum commune.

1830 Jefferson Place
Washington, D.C.
21 Dec. 1902

Dear Collins:

Your postal of the 12th at hand. It will give me great pleasure to come down Friday night from the Bot Club meeting with you and spend Saturday in Providence. I know of nothing to prevent, and will write you after I get home. Mother will not be able to come, I fear sure. She has a girl boarding at the house, and she cannot leave. Later on, when the cold weather is over I am in hopes that she can visit somewhere. Just now, tho, if she gives up her boarder it means be alone all winter, & of course she cannot do that. It is very kind of you tho' to invite her, and I feel sure that she would enjoy going. However, unless my plans are broken by affairs at home I will meet you at the Club meeting Jany 2d. & I shall have to take the 8 PM Pullman for Washington Saturday night, as school opens Monday morning, and I can't get a day train Sunday.

I have had the loan of the Gymnostomum specimens in the U.S. Natl Herbarium. My plant is not typical G. curvirostre, nor yet typical var scabrum

the variety is not represented in the US Nat Hist specimens. but I have had access to the very complete description in Limpricht's "Laubmoose" Among the specimens I found one of Sphagnum curvirostre collected Aug 1871 by T.C. Porter at Moosehead Lake, Me. I reserved a small piece for my own herbarium for future checklist work. This was a duplicate of a Columbia College herbarium specimen, concerning which you could doubtless learn from Mrs. Britton.

This past week I have been teaching, and have not had any serious trouble with my eyes as a result. So I think that I am safely over the measles now. My vacation at home I shall use in mounting up my unmounted plants, if I can get the room warm enough to work in. We can't get coal, so burn wood in the coal stoves & have two oil heaters. Oil is cheaper than coal this year anyhow.

So far in my room here I have had an open fire of soft coal & have been comfortable enough. After New Year's they will start up the furnace

This will be vacation week for you, I suppose, and great will be the slaughter among the moths. Well, I hope for some time for similar work this coming term, but I hardly count upon it. However I have the promise of the loan of Lindpricht Landmann from the Dept of Agriculture Library whenever I want it. Nice I don't know!

How are you getting on in Providence with your deep snows, and cold weather, and lack of coal? It will seem like winter in earnest to you very soon. There has been one little flurry of snow here, but not enough to more than grease the pavement. School work is becoming easier in many ways, and Monday will be over for this term. I leave Monday night upon the Express for Boston. I shall go thro' Providence about 5.20 P.M., don't bother to meet me at the train. I can then get home about 8 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Give my regards and best Christmas wishes to all the people in Providence and tell 'em that I shall hope to see 'em

in about a fortnight.

Meanwhile, so long,

~~Yours truly yours~~

Edward B Chamberlain,

Cumberland Center, Maine.
28 Dec 1907.

Dear Collins:

I shall see you at the club meeting next Friday unless one of us is sick. I leave here Friday noon, dine with Williams Friday night and will be all ready to go down with you at 12.07 a.m. I shall have to leave on the Pullman Saturday night, at about 8 o'clock I think. Tell your mother that I shall have something in my grip for her.

I am hard at work this week mounting plants, and hope to get about 400 done, that is, mounted, and the labels written. Later on mother will paste the labels on for me. By the way, I am transferring my moss herbarium to standard size sheets, and in consequence I have a lot of quarter sig. genus covers on my hands. Will they be of use to you. If so, drop me a card, and I will bring you a package. I also have 200 labels. Jth Bingham region brand for you.

Thanks for the little calendar. I have been well remembered this Christmas. The boys at the school gave me a Traveller's dressing case with all complete - brushes, comb, razor, strop, soap dish etc

in addition I have had two books, a box of candy, a calendar (besides yours) diary, book for unmounted photos, 2 pocket memo. books (one, renewable pad), a christmas dinner, roast chicken, roast pork etc. —

Its been snowing here, so that Friday and Saturday I had to shovel paths, — quite a change from the sunny south, but I enjoy the change.

Mother is fairly well, tho' not strong. She has one of the academy pupils as a boarder, and for company. It does not make so very much extra work, and it does make a lot of difference about the lonesomeness of things. She also has fuel enough (wood) to last all winter; its no small comfort this year.

I have just put up a package of 150 duplicates for Williams, and have another small order to fill for Leavitt. Williams took a lot of plants, many common ones for locality, and has promised me a bundle later on.

Well, I have several more letters to write, so I shall make this one short.

Regards and happy New year to all

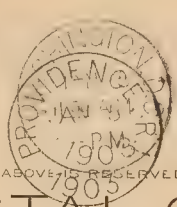
Edward B. Chamberlain.

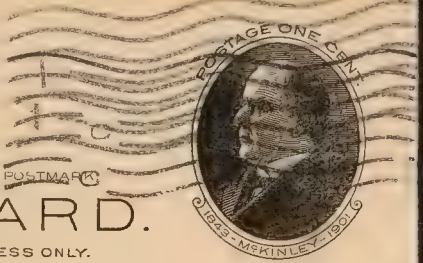
Arrived all right, but over an hour late. Found a bunch of letters, requesting specimens of my moss offered in Bryologist, awaiting me. Also a book, from my old roommate Marsh. I shall have to spend a larger part of the day in writing letters etc, to get things squared up to date.

As ever —

Edward B. Chamberlain

Sunday Jan 4. 1903
Wash – D.C.





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Providence,

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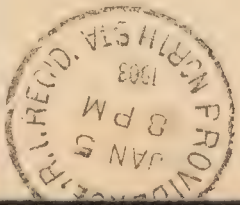


1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
11 Jany. 1903.

Dear Collins:

Today being rainy, and having no work on hand, I tackled some mosses; among them the enclosed. I think it is *Webera albicans*, Schpr. I apologize for so small a specimen, but it is a half of mine, and I got all there was growing. When you have the time, please let me know what you think it is.

Not much is going on here, just the same old job, but I hope that occasionally I may get a Sunday forenoon in which I can work mosses, from now on.

I am taking the easier ones, now, and leaving all ~~that~~ look like puzzles 'till I get home. By the way, I suppose you know that the Mosses which Mrs. Lowe has been sending out from Spruce Point Me. come from the town of Boothbay or Boothbay Harbor. I haven't my Col. Survey map here, but you can see from them just where it is.

I wish that she were more careful about her localities.

Well, I have some more daylight in which to "bryologize," and you can understand why I stop

Regards to all.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins:

You asked me which of Mr. Moses's last packages to me contained. I have written to mother and she replies that the labels are nos 126–150, also 76a, 54a, 21a, 125. I hope this will enable you to decide whether your set is complete to date. My set (125–150) came about the middle of December.

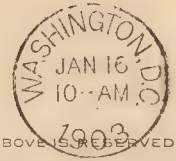
All as usual here, and hope the same applies to you.

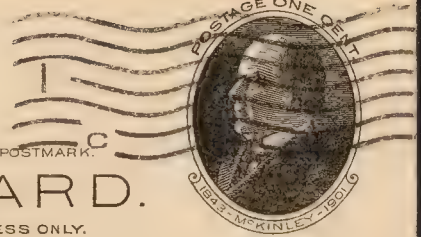
As ever

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.

16 Jany. 1903.





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Mr. J.F. Collins.

468 Hope St.

Providence,

R.I.

NORTH
PROVIDENCE

1830 Jefferson Place
Washington D.C.
Feby. 1. 1903.

Dear Collins:

Today for the third or fourth time since I came here I have been studying mosses. Got two packets named up provisionally, a Plagiothecium denticulatum and Mnium serratum, I think, ~~both from~~ both from Cumberland.

I cant be sure of the Mnium until I compare it with some material of M. spinulosum &c which I have at home. Humm - its such slow slow work getting anything done in such lines.

You ask how many packets it takes for a Moss chapter distribution. Well, so far I have sent out 21 packets. Thirty I think would cover the demand at the outside unless the plant is very rare. I think that my distribution of Dicranodon last spring was about 25 packets. I am rather surprised that more of the members do not avail themselves of the opportunity to secure specimens.—

Here things are moving along in the same old track. We have just finished the midyear examinations. The extra work on the same brought on me a fit of indigestion &c which has made me rather useless the past few days. Today I am feeling more like myself however, and think I shall be all right for Monday.

I had a very pleasant letter from Mrs. A.M. Smith the other day. She writes that her health has been poor, so that Bryologist work has rather been neglected. She also spoke of some of the Bryologist people here in Washington. Dr. Newman, R.H. Pierce, Maxon, Pollard Mrs Lowe, Miss Miller &c. Mr Maxon I shall try to escape an acquaintance with sometime. He is the same college prat as myself and I think I shall enjoy seeing him. Much of the fall however, he has been ill with typhoid fever.

How are things moving at Providence now? I suppose its wintery. We merely get changeable, cool & warm, spell that raise the very devil with ones

health. I have had one rather severe cold, but am now nearly over it, and hope for better things. I hear indirectly from you thro' mother at times, and she reports that all are well.

I have written to Friedländer & Sohn, in Berlin to find out the price of Limpricht's Laubmoose, and think seriously of purchasing it if it doesn't come too high. I can find out the price anyhow, and then decide whether I want that or a camera-lucida more. I think that one will be about as expensive as the other.

Well. I find that I am running shy of news, and that I must to work on to-morrows classes.

Give my kindest remembrances to all

Very sincerely.

Edward B. Chamberlain,

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
15. Feb., 1903.

Dear Collins:

The past week I have been abed with the grip most of the time; but Friday and Saturday I have been up and about the house. As usual I have improved my enforced stay-at-home-ness, by more study, and have been revelling during the past two days. I got over half a dozen packets named provisionally, mounts made, and notes on all the pleurocarpous species. Have Orthotrichum sordidum for one species I think.

What do you think of the usefulness and value of the Abbe Camera Lucida no 1628 of B&L. Catalogue.? I must buy me a camera, and I really don't feel as tho I can afford a $20. one. Please give me your opinion on the subject. I also need a substage condenser. but I can get along without that for another year, but I do need the camera very much. I think I can forego books a little in order to get it.

My damned doctors bills this year

will amount to almost the price of camera and condenser.

About your letter of the 8th, I hardly know what to write. I sent it home to mother, to see what her opinion was. Of course you understand that things will go no further.

It is very kind of you to ~~stop~~ give me the first chance at the place, and I know you won't feel at all put out, when I write that I do not think I care for it.

My reasons are somewhat as follows. I feel very sure that I can have the place I now hold, next year, if I can for it. And, while all the work isn't all to my taste, I do enjoy it, find it fairly easy, and get good pay. As good, almost as I should at Providence.

I get some time for botanical study, as much as I should at Providence, no doubt, and have good herbarium and library facilities at my command.

The expenses here, with mother's at home, are rather less than they would be for the two of us living in Providence. Indeed I doubt if I could save a penny my first year there, with all the expenses of

I get 50 per month and board myself.

moving, a house renting &c &c. Also I want to remain three or four years in my present place if I can: it will look better, than if I change to a new place every time. If I make a success of this work here for say three years. I can then change, back to New England perhaps, with something of a teaching reputation, and may find it possible to pick and choose somewhat in my next place. This is really my first reason.

The next one is monetary. Mother is slowly becoming blind [don't let this out]. and sometime will have to have an operation for cataracts. So I want to get a little money saved up on account of the expenses which will come then. I think I can do that better here than at Providence, where the board, rent, fuel & light questions would be more formidable.

A third reason comes in the matter of experience. I have no doubt as to my ability to handle any course given in botany

at Brown as far as the teaching & classroom is concerned. The Anatomy & Physiology course (2d year work) would demand much preparation as I am very rusty, but I can do it.

I am doubtful, tho' about my ability for the executive work of keeping things running otherwise. There is always Delaney to handle, & Bailey to arrange for, and the ~~100~~ thousand & one little things about material etc. You know just what I mean. For this I had rather wait until I am a little older. If I undertook the job, I'd get thro' somehow, but it might be harder work than I care about. I think you will understand what I mean.

I will see the advantages of such a place, in the matter of congenial friends, congenial work, and being able to live at home, but in this case I think they do not ~~come up to~~ outweigh the reasons against my going. I understand of course, that your leaving is problematical, and that my chances of getting in would be a possibility slimmer than a hair. But I think I shant accept the chance.

I trust that the above has made plain to you my reasons, and that you will understand them. I am greatly obliged for your kindness in writing me about the possibility. You are always doing me some little kindness in that way, and I hope that I may be able to reciprocate.

I hope that if you leave Brown, you will get work that will be more congenial, and relieve you of much of the drudgery incident to the B.U. position. I wish you could get a good position in herbarium work along mosses lines; you would enjoy it so much.

Did I ever write you that I had received a card from Huenot regarding ~~my~~ the moss we called Gymnostomum curvirostrum scabrum. It is my no. 216. of which you have a duplicate. He considers it named correctly. and thanked me very much for the specimen. So I think we are safe enough on the matter now.

Still if ever you and I are at Waterville in the first part of September, we must remember to give the locality a good searching and get all the duplicate material we can.

Following Mrs Smith's advice, I have written to Berlin for the prices on Limpricht's Laubmoose, and ought to hear during the coming week. I doubt if I can afford the book now; but I shall see. I want it badly.

Mother writes that everything at home is iced up, owing to continued rains & cold snaps. She hopes to get some coal by the end of this week I think. It's been a hard winter for her, but not nearly so bad as last year, as she has more room, and really more and better neighbors. As she is not alone in the house, I do not worry about her very much.

What a splendid article F.S. Collins has in the last Rhodora. Such things as that go a long ways toward making the periodical one of decided value, and towards increasing its circulation.

How are you getting along with your proposed overhauling of your mosses? If you name up any of those Bristol ~~spec~~ and Waterville specimens that I sent you, please make memoranda of the same and let me know, as I want to make corresponding notes on the packets of mosses. This coming summer I must find a solution for the stowage of my unnamed specimens. But, happily, for the present, I can do nothing.

C H Knowlton wrote to me recently about a certain Mr. James McBride, gardener at the State Almshouse Tewksbury Mass, who is doing quite a little studying mosses. Clarence wished me to write the man, so I did, and gave him a push towards Sullivant Chapen. I also wrote Mrs. Smith about him, in writing I mentioned your name, so you may hear from him. Clarence wrote that he (McB) had collected and named a lot of mosses, sent them in to Harvard, and formed that

he had the most of 'em correct. This looks ~~day~~ encouraging on the face of it. He may turn out a desirable man.

Well, I am wandering on here at considerable rate, and fear I am not saying much of consequence. When you get time let me know if the moss I lately sent you as Webera albicans, ~~[illegible]~~ was correctly named. Write me the news when you can and remember me to the Providence ~~people~~ especially your own folks in the hot fancies,

Very truly yours.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

My blotter is — damnable, so please excuse the above —

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
23d Feby. 1903.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your note about the camera lucida. I have written Bausch and Lomb, and think I shall get me the one listed at $12.00 in their catalogue.

Thanks also for your note, and specimen of Webera albicans. I am making some progress in studying up the mosses which I have collected at Cumberland, and have some 20 provisionally named. Some of course I am sure of, others I wish to compare with material which I have at home. Now that the sun does not set until late, I can get some time to work after school is over.

We have had a holiday today, on account of Washington's birthday, and I feel as if I had had a prolonged vacation, as I have dropped school work completely for three days. Warm weather has come back now, and I hope that it

will stay. Things are not prepared for cold here, and I feel it much more than I should at home. Mother write me that at last she has secured a ton of Welsh coal, so I suppose that she will be more comfortable from now until spring comes.

Within a few days I will send you a catalogue which I have received from Friedlander in Berlin. There are quite a number of moss publications advertised in it, some of which you may care for. Limpricht's Laubmoose costs there 8 Marks, plus 2.40 Mk. for postage, making in all about $21. I can't afford this at present so shall have to wait until more cash is available.

Well, I must get to work now, so I can't write more. All well as usual here, and I hope the same is true with you.

As ever
Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins

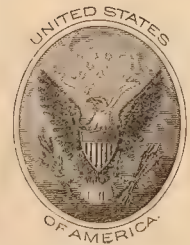
1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.

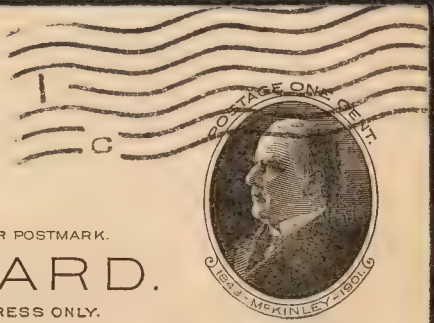
Mr. Friedlander's catalogue is numbered 422, so I will not bother to send it, as you have it all ready. I hope sometime to be able to purchase the "Laubmoose" but for the present its beyond me. I have ordered one of the #1628 camera lucidas and expect it to be along by Monday at the latest. All well here, warm weather, crocuses in bloom on a few lawns and all looking springlike. Are you at work on any particular families of mosses? Perhaps I can coöperate with you if you are. Regards to all the Providence folks.

As usual,

Feby 28.1903

Edward B. Chamberlain.





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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,

468 Hope St.,

Providence,

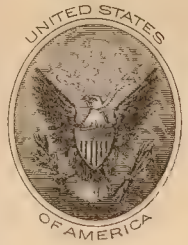
R.I.

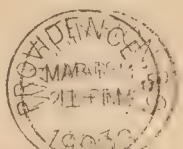
Dear Collins:

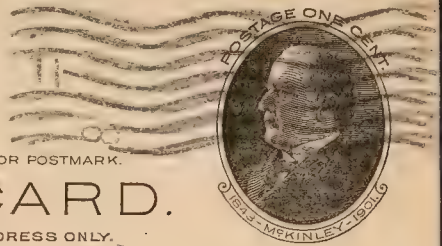
Washington DC. 11 Mch. 1903 —

Thanks for the mosses. The labels are very good. I think I prefer an all printed label, at any time, also those in black, to the rubber type combination. I am glad that you strongly refuse to use Weissia for Ulota. By the way, last summer when at Cutler, you sent me specimens of Grimmia maritima, Aulacomnium androgynum, & Ulota phyllantha. The last is the same as you sent me in your last letter. Would you please, however, send me your herb numbers for the other two species? I have just made a break to get acquainted with Mr. Mason of the Natl. Herb. Hope I shall succeed. Cordially, E.B.C.

I'll be glad to cooperate on mosses —







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Mr. J. Franklin, Collins.
468 Hope St.
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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
22 March, 1903.

Dear Collins:

I find your letter of the 8th inst. still unanswered. Thanks for your offer of books and literature I may use you to some extent. To be sure, I have the whole library of the Department of Agriculture to call upon, but that is not indeed especially for moss work. Thank you also for the numbers of the Cutler Mosses, received in your postal of the 18th.

I am browsing along, doing some moss work and a good deal of other work. Next year, if I come back here, and confidentially I am coming, I shall, I think bring down all my moss books, and all my mounted mosses. Then I can work to my hearts content, and also have my specimens for comparison. Please don't mention yet that I am practically sure of this place, as I am not going it out for publication as yet. The principal told me he should be glad to have me back next year, and I said I should be glad to come, that's

all the formal agreement we ever have had, and probably all that will be said.

What a nice time you must have with all your new botanical books. I envy you. My next purchase in the line of big books, must be Lindpicht, and Sullivant's Icones &c.

Meanwhile, I think a little hard study of the mosses I have already got will not be out of place. I have a fair representation of the common eastern species & think we'd ought to become familiar with them.

Just now I am having an awful stew, with one Brachythecium which I take to be B. laetum. I think you will receive tidings of the same later on in the form of specimens and drawings, to see what you think of it.

About your cooperation, I shall be glad enough to do it. I suppose you mean it eventually for New England Check List. However we shall see each other in June and can talk the matter over at our leisure.

Last Sunday I took a collecting trip up the Potomac with Mr. Mason & the Natl Herb. We got quite a lot of

mosses, among them a Cylindrothecium in good fruit, Climacium dentl. and six plants of Buxbaumia. Can you from your card catalog, let me know the approximate eastern range of B. aphylla. The only catalog of District of Columbia mosses that I have was issued in 1881. Since then I believe some additions have been published. Buxbaumia is not in the 1881 list. If it is at all common here, I shall send a note to the Botanist about it.

This coming week Clarence Knowlton of Chelmsford, a distant cousin & close friend, is to be here in Washington, so I don't expect to have any spare time at all, outside of my school work. Mrs. Smith writes me that Dr. Grout is all most played out. He has had a bad attack of grip this winter and recently, also, his son died suddenly. The combined troubles & shock have been too much for him.

What a good note that of Holzinger's in

the best Bryologist is, about sceaffy specimens. He is taking the right stand, and I hope he will stick to it. I have an exchange promised with Miss Crockett of Camden; she says that she has only common things, but these are usually the hardest to get good material of.

I hope that your great "extravagance" in the matter of books will not prevent ~~she~~ you from being in Cumberland for a while this summer. Come early if you can, we are more certain of good weather, and there are in my opinion still unexplored bryological treasures in that region, especially in the northern end of the town.

Well, I hope all you (or you all as they say here) are over the grip, by now, and are enjoying spring. Peach trees are blooming here, and its hot out of doors. Much love now and scribble other letters. Give my kindest regards to all.

Very sincerely,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for notes on Burbaumia. I shall send note for Bryologist on it. Congratulations on your securing the Hooker Musc Exot. I have just bought, Macoun Cath. Can. Musci. & Pearson Can Hepatics. Evans are just over here, and I have been on the jump. Have just identified Amblystegium Lescurii from Cumberland. Vacation begins on Good Friday, shall have some spare time then, Regards &c. As usual

E B Ch.

April the foolish day — 1903.

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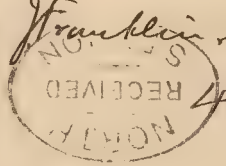

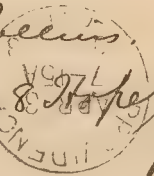

1830 Jefferson Place.
Washington, D.C.,
16 April. 03

Dear Cousins:

Will you be so kind as to take a peek at the enclosed moss. There are two things; an hepatic and a pleurocarpous bit. The latter sticks me completely. It is monoecious with a conspicuous annulus, leaves denticulate, often nearly to base, ovate acuminate, concave, with a few rectangular & quadrate clear cell, shortly bicostate to ecostate. Perichaetial leaves are plicate oblong acuminate, serrulate above, but I don't know about their costa. I call the leaves somewhat secund and the branching irregular. Cilia 2 fairly well developed. This throws the plant into Hypnum cupressiforme, but it doesn't look like the figures I had. The rather long tip to the operculum made me think of Raphidostegium or Rhynchostegium but it won't go. Please let me know, and also what you consider the "secundity" of the leaves & the branching to be.

I wish I had my mosses

here for comparison. Next year, since I am engaged for a second year here, I half believe that I shall bring my mounted specimens along with me and have it done with.

All well as usual here, and I am plodding along with my cumbersome moss packet have got about 30 done, out of 100.

Well, I hope this packet won't be too severe a tax on your time and patience. Remember me, please, to all the folks,

As usual

Edward B. Chamberlain,

Have just had Lichen of seven sent me from York Harbor, Me.

1830 Jefferson Place.
Washington
27 April, 1903

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your kind note about the Hypnum and for the sketch. I want to go over the whole thing again before long, and make sure I see it myself clearly. That particular group of Hypna are very troublesome to me.

In regard to the Lesquereux obscura. I think I am right. I enclose tracings of the sketches I have made. Would you mind comparing with Icon. Musc t 77., and letting me know by postal if you think it agrees. If OK I will send a note to Rhodora on it. We want, you know, to keep moss business hustling in that.

You ask what books I have here. Well, I have Dixon & Jameson. Barnes & Heald, Lesq. & James. Macoun & Kindberg Cath. & Beauvois Hepaticae Canada. Then I have access to the Dept of Agric library where I can get Icones

Music. & Suppé. Schimper Symposium. Kimpiedt & Braithwaite. But its a deuce of a job to get to them, as Saturday forenoon is about my only available time for going there.

I don't know when mother will be in Providence as yet. She places a visit to Bristol, which I imagine will be about May 20. That would bring her in Providence, I think, about June 1.; but she hasn't as yet written me about it for sure.

Well, its nearly 11 P.M. and I have to teach as usual to-morrow.

Regards to all, I would send you some of the Lesbos but I have only a fragment myself. Keep the tracings if you want.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Dear Collins:

Doubtless you will recognize in this paper the remains of defunct exam books. I use lots of it for scratch paper, etc. Thanks for the outlines of Leskea obscura, and the specimen. I have not had time to examine it carefully under the micro. but from a hasty glance. there seems to be a radical difference between your #299. from Minnesota, and my, ~~#30~~ #1298. in the length and abundance of capsules, and appearance of the stems. Mine may turn out to be L. polycarpa after all. but there is certainly a decided difference in the peristome. Unfortunately there are not many perfect capsules. most having lost the peristome completely. I will try to go over it again soon.

I send a label to go with the tracing which I sent you.

Not much doing here outside of school work.

Give my kindest regards to all the folks.

As usual.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
6 May, 1903.

1830 Jefferson Place.
Wash. D.C.
10 May, 1903.

Dear Collins:

I have been putting in a busy day on a moss, and have some news for you. Incidentally also I want you to do a little tracing for me. Its about my #1298, sent you in the form of tracings, as Leskea obscura, Sullv. Well, it isn't that, at all. Moreover S & G Manual and the B & K key are very misleading.

When the tracings of the Icones Musc. t. 77, (L. obscura) reached me I compared them with my slides and drawings, and they didn't agree a bit. Moreover the specimen which you sent of L. obscura had a totally different appearance from mine, being looser, dirty green, with brown oval or ellipsoidal capsules. My plant is in thick mats, with long cylindrical, yellowish capsules, and dark green ~~leaves~~. Saturday accordingly I went down to the U.S. Dept Agric. Library, intending to settle the matter. I wanted

to get the Bry. Eur. but it wasn't there. I however got Sullivant's Icones, Limpricht Laubmoose, & Braithwaite. I took tracings of L. nervosa & L. polycarpa from the latter copied a lot from Icones. & brought Limpricht home in toto. (Nobody else uses it there, they didn't know they had it until I resurrected it, so, I am a big man & got the loan of it).

Now comes the discovery. My moss agrees with the figures for L. polycarpa in Braithwaite and with the description in Limpricht, almost verbatim. Moreover. Limpricht says. — segments of inner peristome keeled & cleft along keel. and makes no mention of any other condition ever occurring. This is rank heresy according to Barnes and Heald. L & J. is noncommittal, merely says "segments entire"; presumably meaning non-perforate. Today I have compared my moss minutely with Limpricht and it agrees in every particular except that the leaves are not quite so papillose as he says, and that the segments are rather narrower & shorter than teeth. Even the paraphyllia are there, tho' I don't find 'em "zahlreich" as he does.

To sum up: my no 1298

is Leskea polycarpa Ehrh. Barnes & Seald's Key is an ignoramus, my nice extension of range has gone to the dogs, while Mr. Lindpricht and I are the only bryologists, excepting always a certain Providence man.

Now will you have the kindness, when you are at leisure to look up Bry. Eur. t 470, and see what the segments are, in the figures there given, also the shape of the leaves, and if paraphyllia are mentioned. I believe also you have Hedwig, Sp. Musc: If so, please take a squint at t 57. If it isn't too much bother send tracings, and I shall be eternally your debtor.

Please destroy the label for the tracings which I sent you, and substitute the enclosed. I also enclose a bit of the actual plant to go along with the label. It is in awfully old bad condition, but it may do.

Yesterday I received about 25 packet of unnamed mosses from M. E. L. Morris (the man who revised Plantago). They are fortunately, mostly common species. He want me to name them up for him. He puts up nice specimens, and I should try to go over 'em between now and June. All come from this vicinity.

My next purchase in moss books must be Limpricht. Its delightful. moreover it represents modern. conservative work. Last evening I read a lot of the introduction, on collecting etc, and found it very entertaining.

Well, I hope to see you in about six weeks, and then we can talk shop ad infinitum. Give my regards to all the Providence folks.

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
14 May, 1903.

Dear Collins:

Thanks very much for your tracings of Lichen spp. It seems to me that I have a very interesting problem on my hands in this, whether anyone else will find it out or not. Just at present I haven't the time to continue the thing, but I intend to work up, if I can, the real truth of the matter, and perhaps send a note regarding it to Bryologist. There is certainly something radically wrong in Barnes & Steald.

Now regarding my plans here. School closes June 5th as far as the teaching part goes, but I shall have to stay until about June 20th to give the final polish to those boys who are to take examinations for college. So I can't plan on anything for vacation until after

June 21st anyhow. I didn't know anything about the Skowhegan meeting June 29. I want to go there if possible. Now how are you planning for the summer? I can go from here to Providence, directly, and visit you, running down to Southington meanwhile to see Bissell for a couple of days, as I have promised him a visit. Or I can go from here directly to Cumberland, taken in Skowhegan, and then see you and Bissell, or otherwise just as will be the most convenient for you. Are you going to Skowhegan yourself?

Make your plans as will be most convenient and count on me as eligible anytime after June 21st I think, if I can come any earlier, which I doubt I will let you know. I am sorry that you misunderstood me, and hope that the above will make things plain to you. Don't let me interfere with your plans tho' I

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can be sandwiched in. If you go to Show-Legan I shall be very happy to have you stop at Cumberland for a while, remember that.

What a wonder Mrs. Stevens must be! She will soon equal Mr. Huntington, whom you remember, sent me Ceratodon purpureus as Pleuridium subulatum! I am rushing along on Mr. Morris' mosses, most are common species. I have, however found the hepatic Lejeunea clypeata, I think, which is new to me.

Not much else doing. By the way, are all the errors in the first paragraph of Mrs. Britton's Nomenclature article in May Bryologist intended or not? If not so, my!

Sir Pricht, by the way, considers Hypnum revolutum & H. plicatile, as destinct spe-

cies, which Mr. B. seems to overlook. She is, apparently, very careless in her work.

Regards to all the Providence people

As usual

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
May 22, 1903

Dear Collins:

Your last letter at hand. I shall be at the Skowhegan meeting unless some unforseen accident prevents. Do urge Mrs. Stevens to go also. We ought to have the bryological side of the subject well represented, and, as you suggest, she may push us on to valuable mosses, facts etc.

Yesterday, I asked the principal here just when we should be through school. He thought about June 17.

I plan as follows: I have promised Bissell a visit, so I shall go there, I think, directly from here, stay about three days and then come to Providence. Then I shall leave Providence Friday the 26th of June for home, and go to Skowhegan

the following Monday. I hope to see you then. If things come out as I plan I should get to Providence about 20 June. From what you wrote I suppose you will be in Maine by that time. I wish I could get through earlier, but it can't be helped. Bessie has been twice put off also, and I mustn't fail this time.

Please write me, also, if it will be in the least inconvenient for you at this time I mentioned.

Now there is one thing more. Mother writes me that she intends to start Wednesday, May 27 for Providence. I should write her pretty careful instructions about getting across Boston, but would it be asking too much of you, if you have the spare time, to meet her at the North Station? Please don't

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feel obliged to do it unless it is perfectly convenient. I know it would relieve her of a great deal of anxiety, as she dreads a strange city and the bother with baggage, care &c.

Your note regarding Mrs. Britton's article is rich. That woman is a bryological wonder. Would that we had more of Simpsonite stamp, and less of the Grout-Britton variety.

Weather here is so abominably hot that I haven't done much bryologizing. In fact I don't get the chance to go out to ~~study~~ collect any as yet. I am plodding along thro' and have the bulk of the mosses which I brought with me named. There are about 8 more

of those Mr. Morris sent me to do; one is a very immature acrocarpous thing that I shall leave for the present, two are Brya & two Hypna. the remainder are mainly Hepaticae. which by the way I feel very shaky on.

Have just sent to Mrs Smith and purchased separates of the two volumes of the Bryologist which were issued in the Fern Bulletin, and have taken the first five volumes of the magazine to a bindery here, where I have had some excellent work done at a small price. I think I shall bring down quite a lot of ~~stuff~~ magazines next year to be bound up. its much better than fooling with loose copies.

Regards to all, as usual

Edward B Chamberlain

Wash. D.C.
May 31. 1903

Dear Collin:

I am very glad you have been so kind as to speak, or write, frankly about the matter of my visit. I shall be glad, to accomodate myself to your plans & come in August, September, or whenever convenient. It's a real pleasure to have people say squarely just what is what, and not hear the usual, "Oh yes come anytime", and then have a sort of dog-in-the-manger feeling whenever you are there. So here's to our meeting in September.

But don't give up Skowhegan if you can help it. I count on your being there, and delighting in Mrs. Stevens discoveries.

By the way, can the music & Hepaticae of Engler & Prantl, Naturlichen etc

be bought separately? If so, do you know where and how much? I have had my Bryologists bound up, vols 1-4 in one set, & vol V by itself. A nice little job was done on them too.

By the way, cant you come down to Cumberland about the end of your work at Harvard, and stop a while. The house is open, and I believe you havn't seen our latest in the way of rents either. Let me know if you can.

Well, I didnt get to bed yesterday until one o'clock this morning, and exams begin tomorrow, so I must ring off on this.

Regards to all,

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
8 June 1903.

Dear Collins:

No "excuse" is ever necessary for a letter or postal from you. I am very glad to hear of Anacampsodon in Rhode Island. I have made memorandum of the same and in due time it will get into my card catalogue. Dear me! how much behind I am getting on that as well as other things. I shall have to bring down my catalogues etc, bag and baggage next year, no other way out of it. I find considerable spare time which by careful planning I could put on such work.

I have recently received specimens of Lecha polycarpa, L. ~~obtusa~~ obscura, and L. nerosa from Mrs. Smith, so after I get home I shall try to thrash out that Lecha question as far as my specimens go. I have no doubt but what Barnes and Heald

need correction. By the way, have I ever written you about the error on p 197 of their key?

Well. If I have, it will bear repetition. p 197, ll 7 & 8 under §1 Schistidium. reads

"Peristome distinct, orifice dilated. G sphaerica

"Peristome rudimentary, orifice not dilated G. apocarpa

Well, I don't know about the orifice, in the two, but all descriptions of G. apocarpa as well as figures and specimens give it a good healthy peristome. Moreover the description of G sphaerica in Barnes & Heald (p 289. no 191) says "peristome very rudimentary." The description is from Husnot. Musc Gall which I haven't seen. But anyhow the case against B&H. seems too clear to need much argument. This and the Lesica business have shaken my confidence greatly.

Glad to hear that A.A. Eaton is to hold forth at Skowhegan. I shall be glad to meet him. but damn the ornithological side of the question. Hooray for Rich tho' I shall be mightily glad to see him.

I suppose that Prof. Asa Gray will be at Skowhegan in full force, with all the beauties of nature cornered in his coat pocket. We poor souls, can't see the beauty, for we must look at Microstylis ophioglossoides instead of the wonderful marvelously beautiful daintily coy specimen of that most miraculous family of the Orchids. etc. — Fudge. —

Well, we can revel in the wisdom of Mrs. Stevens, and sit in mute admiration as she names the mosses. If now we only had Prof. Macoun along to name Breya, off hand, how fine it would be.

I wrote to Miss Crockett of Camden inviting her to be present at Skowhegan, as she is a mossite; but she has replied that she will be unable to leave home. I am somewhat curious to see her.

I don't know as I made clear in my rather hasty note how much it pleased me to hear you write as frankly as you did about the time

of my visit. That is just the way I like to be treated, and please never hesitate to say squarely, whether it will be convenient or not for me to come. It greatly adds to the pleasure of coming.

Well, I have yarned enough, and it is late in the evening. Mother has written glowing accounts of her visit to Providence, I feel sure that she has enjoyed herself very much indeed. Give my kindest regards to all the Providence people.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
11 June, 1903.

Dear Cocciuus:

Your postal at hand. As near as I can make out the translation is as follows, "Near Ellwangen in Swabia on trunks of Abies clarus. Frölich has found it and has kindly sent it to me." Now there are two points of doubt in this. First, Ellwangen, as far as I can find in my Century is in Württemberg, but it is in what is called the Swabian Jura, so that is unimportant. Next regarding that word. clar. As far as I am able to find there is no such simple word in Latin, but it appears like an abreviation of the word clarus, meaning clear or evident, noted etc. Hence I take it to be a specific name going with abietinum. The Index Kewensis will tell you if there is a Abies clarus. I will try to get hold of an unabridged Latin Lexicon sometime today and see if there is any word clar.

I hope that what I have written will satisfy your purpose. Let me know if it doesn't.

I leave here at 7.45 Tuesday morning, and expect to spend the time until Friday with Bissell. When do you go to Maine? Possibly I may be travelling along about the same time.

Well, I must mail this so you will get it to-morrow. Let me know if you want any more translating done.

Regards to all

Sincerely

Edward B. Chamberlain

Cumberland Center, Maine.

21 June 1903.

Dear Collins:

Pardon delay regarding your letter of the ~~twelfth~~. I have been on the road home, and packing. Your detexit can mean describes. There was no chance for me to get hold of a big Latin Lexicon until today or I would have answered sooner. There are two words detexit, one means he has found, the second he describes. So I think your Rhodora will be all right. The only trouble will be that detexit meaning describes is present tense, while for the other meaning it is past tense. Let me know if I don't make things clear.

Thanks for your note further regarding the error of Brit Keyon Gymnia.

Well, I am busy, getting settled. I had a pleasant visit with Bissell, and got quite a bundle of mosses also.

Here at home all is as usual, mother

is very wet. But Oh! my vegetable garden! It needs hoeing the worst way. Aside from this there is now news. We see you at Skowhegan the 29th and hope for a long visit, first 6 weeks, in August. Mother wishes to be remembered.

Very sincerely yours

Edward B. Chamberlin

Dear Collins.

We "headquarter" at Hotel Coburn Skowhegan. Rate 1.50 per. Forum begins 8 p.m. monday. with address by Prof Ah Lane. I shall go up Monday, & return Friday. All as usual here. Yes damn the rain.

As usual,

Aug. 26 EBC

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& E. Collins.

Dear Collins:

Well, I am here, safe and sound. I haven't much to write and the sending of this letter is mainly explained by the enclosure. Mrs. Smith as I told you is anxious for me to stand as a candidate for the Secretary-Treasurer of the Moss chapter. From what she writes regarding the duties of the office do you think that I could fill the apetite, and do you advise me to accept the nomination? Please say just what you think on the subject. There's evidently lots of work in it and I question whether I know mosses well enough. Still there is a formidable list of helpers to fall back against.

We are all well here, and I am deep in garden & herbarium work combined. That is Grout's new moss book, worth perusing, let me know what you think?

Well, let me know your Cambridge or Arlington address, I send this directly to the Herbarium.

With cordial regards from Mrs. C.,

As usual

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cuttyhunk Center Mass.,

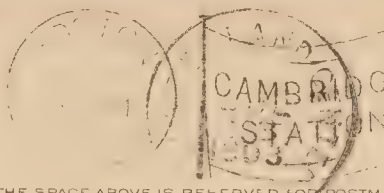
5 July 1903.

Dear J.H.C.

This morning I sent Mrs S. a declination of the Sullivant Chapter job, on the ground that I had too much work already promised. Guess I shall have some time for you. I shall be up to Cambridge, I hope, sometime during the next fortnight, but I'm not sure.

As usual EBC.

July 13.—



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
Gray Herbarium
Cambridge,
Mass.

Cumberland Center, Me
3 Aug 1903.

Dear Collins.

I have been very busy of late, and so have neglected correspondence and everything. Incidentally, tho' I intended to I neglected to find time to come to Cambridge and look over some material &c. This past week, including Sunday, Clarence Knowlton has been with me, and we have been doing some grand botanizing, finding lots of new things. Tomorrow I make a flying visit of 36 hours to Bristol, and then shall be rejoiced to see you Saturday for just as long a visit as you can possibly make us.

I'm sorry, but I can't afford a trip to Moxie Falls, much as I should like it. I'm saving up spare pennies to purchase Simpkin's Lanbmoose, and I think that I better defer expensive trips until later years. I think you will agree that Simpkin is better than a flying trip to Moxie Falls. Moreover there is the Providence week in September to be provided for. Well, I must post this. Mother is anxious that you come and stay a long time. My regards to all the Collinses &c.

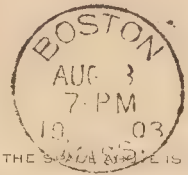
Very truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain

Dear J.F.C.

All right, come Saturday Aug. 8, and we shall be rejoiced. Am busy as two bee's and go to Bristol for a day & a half Tuesday. Sorry I didn't find time for a Cambridge trip. Have sent letter to Providence.

Very truly yours E.B.C.

Aug 3.



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.

Gray Herbarium.

Cambridge,

Mass

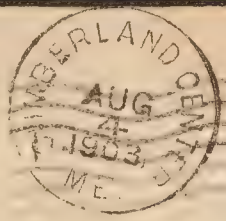
Dear Collins:

Please let me know the names that you have for the following numbers of your mosses, 2207A; 2207B; 2177A; 2338; 2180A; 1845; 2292a; I have been going over some spare duplicate packets of mosses which I have from your Katahdin trip when I was working on them, I find I neglected to note the names of the above species.

Very truly yours

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Me.
Aug 4, 1903.



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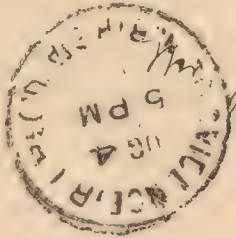

J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope Street,
Providence.
R.I.

Dear Mr: Have just finished numbering up a lot of our mosses collections. Sphagnum "A" = 1650; "B" = 1651; "C" = 1652; "D" = 1653; "E" = 1654; "F" = 1655 Calico swamp Sphagnum = 1646. Thamnium alleghaniense 1644. Hylocomium umbratum 1649. Hypnum uncinatum from Calico Swamp = 1647. Climacium Kindbergii = 1648: the funny Lepyrodon thing (sterile) 1643: our funny Fontinalis from Presumpscot cascade = 1684; Have just been over my unnamed mosses and picked out 175 packets that I can name at sight, am going to put them into herbarium & send the whole thing down to Wash. by freight or express: How are spruces? please remember 'em Mother is all played out with a cold, & I'm doing house work. She is also having a hard time with her eyes. Please remember me to the Colby's & other Brighton folks.

Cumberland Center Sept. 3, 1903. As usual. E B Chamberlain

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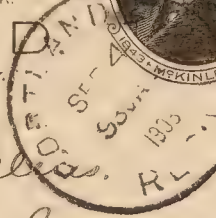

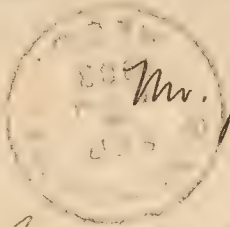

Mr. J. Franklin Collins.

Brigham,

Maine,

J. M. Colby,

Cumberland Center.
Sept 15, 1903.

Dear Collins:

You have my sympathy in your trouble with the spruces. I sent all the material down to Bissell, with also some freshly cut branches. Personally I do not think that the idea of mounting when partly dry is a good one. It made little difference in the falling of the leaves, they seem to dry after the glue sets, & then shrink away from it. Certainly the sheets are now nearly as neat looking.

I hope that you had a good time up country and got lots of stuff at Mario Falls. I have done no botanizing beyond the set of Lycopodium inundatum for Dr Robinson. Got 120 sheets from a place 10 feet square. — I've been busy all the rest of the time getting duplicates &c listed, my mosses arranged, & such like work. Today I shall try to get a box made in which to send by freight my mosses to Washington. I have taken all those that I can name at sight, and put them in my herbarium

then this winter I can go over the genus covered & get pockets made, labels written, & study out the special groups &c. I shan't take along any to determine, for the present anyhow, but see if I can't get some back work squared up, and do some careful studying on known species so as to recognize them. I am also going to get that checklist of Convolvulaceae off my hands if I can.

I have a map of New England scale 3.5 mi. to the inch nearly done. It isn't very correct I fear, but I have corrected it as much as I can. I shall bring it to Providence with me leave it with you, & let you make what changes you see fit. You have no idea how faulty the different maps are. There is a difference of some eighth of a degree in the position of the Kennebec, Androscoggin &c. I am doing the best I can on this map, & then will make corrections in red ink. Take a tracing of the corrected map & work that way.

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Hope you are all well at Providence. Mother has been about fagged out, and really quite sick. Also there will be no roomer or boarder here this term. One of my small cousins will stay here nights, & do errands for mother until Thanksgiving when different arrangements will be made. On this account I shan't get to Providence until Thursday Sept 24th, and will remain until Sunday evening. I feel quite sure that I shall start then, but if mother is sick at all I shall wait until Friday. I am considerably disappointed in not having more time at Providence, but I am very glad that I can be here to help mother while she is sick.

After I leave, her sister will be here some ten days, and a cousin will spend the Thanksgiving vacation with her.

I have written to Oswald Weigel Königstrasse 1, Leipzig Germany, to see about Engler and Prantl. I think the separation

of Schiffner's Hepaticas from the Natürliche Pflanzenfamilien cost about 5 marks plus cost of transportation. I also find in Siegels Catalogue a copy of the Bry. Eur. complete for 500 marks. wish I had it.

I wrote to Mr Day at Kew to learn where I should write for the Nat. Pflanz. separate & a lot of other things, and he sent me a long list of things of that nature, to which you are welcome at any time.

Well. its mail time much close up. Regards to all, & success in Bot. 1, 2, 3.

As usual

Edward C Chamberlain

Sept. 19, 1903.

OSWALD WEIGEL, ANTIQUARIAT UND AUCTIONS-INSTITUT, LEIPZIG, Königsstr. 1.

Edward B. Chamberlain Esq.

Washington D.C.

Dear Sir Replying to your favour of Sept. 8. I beg to offer you the three parts of "Engler-Prantl, natürl. Pflanzenfamilien" which contain the Hepaticae by Schiffner at M. 9.— nett franco (postage prepaid) to Washington, or if you want Hepaticae and Musci 11 parts out (still to be continued) at M. 33.— nett franco. Please send Postal money order for that you like to get. A new catalogue on cryptogamic literature is in print and shall be sent you when ready.

Respectfully yours

Oswald Weigel

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Nur für die Adresse

Oswald Weigel
Leipzig
Königsstrasse 1

Deutschland

DEUTSCHES REICH

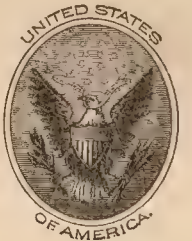
Edward B. Chamberlain Esq.
1830 Jefferson Place
Washington D. C.
U. S. A.

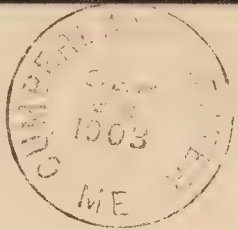
Dear Collins:

I send by today's mail map of ~~[illegible]~~ New England. no lettering, several errors will probably be apparent. Look it over, & let me know what you think of it. Lettering &c can be put in later on perfected copy. Expect to arrive in Prov. Thursday evening. All fairly well here, tho' mother has but little strength. Everything else as usual. Kind regards to all,

E B L

Cumberland Center, Me,
22 Sept. 1903





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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.
468 Hope St.,
Providence. R.I.

Dear Collins:

Got here ok. and am in first class condition for the opening of school tomorrow, only I haven't quite all my things unpacked. in good shape. All quiet along the Potomac.

Au revoir,

E.B.C.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Wash. D.C.
9/29/3.

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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St.,
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R. I.

1630 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
1 Oct. 1903

Dear Collins:

I have received from Niegel in Leipzig the enclosed postal, which explains about the Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien. I ~~have also~~ am also going send a letter to Engelmann about the same, but I find I neglected to take the address. Please send it by Postal if you will.

In one of the second hand stores here I have found a good copy of Harvey's Phycologia Brittannica. 3 vols, 1846, 1849, 1851. colored plates. price about $20.00 I think. Perhaps you might like it. There is also a copy of the Botany of the Pacific R.R. Reports. containing a whole lot of botanical articles with plates, and among them Sullivant on the mosses. It is pages 228-246. with plates 70-79. I can get the whole thing for $5 - I think, Is it worth buying for the sake of the moss

plate? I wish you would let me know sometime. Drop a postal giving the Eyelinum address, and then write about the other as you have time. I could take the Sullivant things out, & resell the other parts for something, I suppose.

I will try to get a clearer description of the book of Sullivant, Title pages are gone from the report. You said something about the pamphlet being valuable I think.

Must go now. Regards to all,

Edwards B. Chamberlin.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.
October 8, 1903

Dear J.M.C.

The copy of the Pacific RR reports, consists in all the botanical papers of these reports, extracted & bound together in one volume, evidently for some body interested mainly in Botany. The Bryology is by Sullivant, contains list of Musci & Hepaticæ with descriptions & plates of the following (new) species Fissidens limbatus. Septodon circinatus ~~Bartramia~~ Bruchia brachyphylla B. semitorta. Grimmia Californica. Bryum Bigelovii, B. Californicum B. occidentale. Hypnum Bigelovii H. Wheppleanum, H. calyptratum. The first two are on one plate. Price $5 —

Since I wrote you last, my box of books & mosses have come from home. I find that this is ~~the~~ listed at 5M. on p 39 of Friedländer's Cat. #422. ; at 3M. on p 44 of Jurgens #17. & at 3M. in Hegel. #97.

So I hardly think it worth while to buy unless you think there is an excellent chance of reselling later, the facts which

relate to Phanerogamic botany, for which I care nothing. Five dollars is quite a price compared with 3 marks.

All well here. Have written Engelmann in Leipzig, and expect to hear in about four weeks. Will let you know as soon as I hear. I also expect from Riegel a catalogue before very long.

What does Mrs. Stevens mean in the last Bryologist by stating, after that her offering "this moss has never before been reported from New England"? Bryum Novaglia has been so, (and the specimen which she sent me was from New Hampshire instead of Holton Me. as per notice), and Hypnum vermicolum is given in Brown's Vermont List. She is a bird.

School goes on nicely. I am to have a boy in Botany 2 recitations per week 20 min long. No laboratory. I shall use Leavitt's Outlines — Won't it be a circus. Mr. Sherman is getting along finely and seems to enjoy it very

much. There isn't much to write about as far as gossipy news goes. Mother is well & getting along nicely as far as I know. I have the hope that the winter will not be absolutely unbearable for her.

I am spending most of my spare time on my card catalogue. I have bought enough guide cards to thoroughly fit it out

I enclose 2 of the tab cards of which I spoke to you. They can I think be secured plane, or ruled & with various things on the tabs. I got a hundred (45¢) just to experiment with.

Oh! I have had that Botany book, reserved for a week, so if you do want it let me know if not just drop a postal. & I will take off the reserve. Personally I don't think it worth the price unless you are sure you can see the other things for a decent price.

Regards to all the Providence folks. especially Mrs Pinches & your own household

O.W.W.B. As usual,

Edward B. Chandler

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
Oct 13, 1903.

Dear Collins:

Further examination of the Sullivant book from the Pacific R R report shows it identical with yours. The person who had it rebound, selected plates from various Pacific RR reports with the best, bound 'em, & then went over all with a rubber stamp, repaging it. I have looked it over & it is the same as you got from yours. I don't believe its worth a 5 dollar bill just for the mosses & shan't buy it. I couldn't use the other portions for enough to pay for binding. I can later get it from various dealers.

I am busy, partly with school, partly with an unanswered correspondence & partly with getting my

card catalogue supplied with a new set of good guide cards. All of which takes time money & elbow grease.

I mentioned Mrs Stevens asininity to Mrs. Smith in one recent letter. Her reply received today, While she says nothing definite, she seems to share your unquotable opinion of Mrs Stevens. Mrs Stevens must be a veritable *pons asinorum* in bryological lines. Have just received Grout's nos 151-175 of the exsiccatae. His marvelous #147 proves to be *Lesquereuxia arenicola* Best, published 1893, of which I received a specimen from E. D. Merrill in 1898. Truly as the fable has it. The Mountain labored, & gave birth to a mouse. We were at Cumberland. Regards to all the branches of the Collins tree —

~~Yr truly yours~~

Edward B Chamberlain

Dear Collins: Thanks for the notes on the price of the Pacific RR. report mosses. I shall be glad of a frond of Woodsia glabella from Maine at anytime. Raining hard today. Hope to get a whack at card catalogue. Aunt Agl's last set of mosses a Ph.D – sight as far as envelopes, & some specimens go.

As usual E. B. L.

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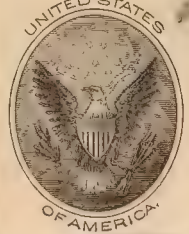

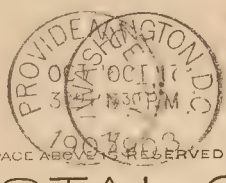

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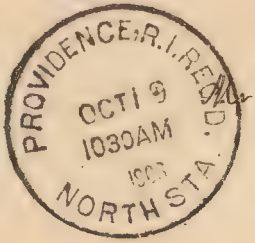

Mr. Franklin Collins.

468 Hope St.,

Providence,

R.I.

Dear Mr B: Thanks for the Woodia which was rec'd OK. today. The label is especially neat. Everything quiet here. Have just been indexing this year's Bryologist & have got to that lovely mess by E&B — on p 42. How many of the dates given on that page are correct? I make the following changes.

Hypnum revolutum (Mitt) Lindb. Hedw. VII 1863.

Stereodon flicatilis Mitt. Jour Lin Soc 8: 40. 1865

Hy fruen Watsoni. L & J Man 386. 1884.

Do you know of any others? Grout has just reported to me, by post card, Grimmia leucophaea in Austins Musci Appl. from New Jersey. That is far east for it.

As ever E B C.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
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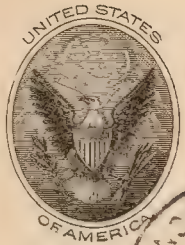

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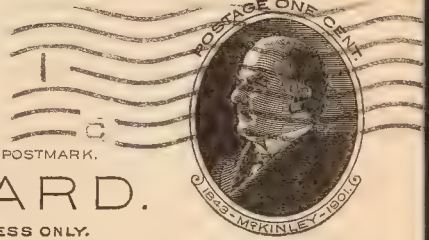

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Franklin Collins.
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R.I.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
Nov. 1. 1903

Dear Collins:

I have just received from Wilhelm Engelmann the following concerning the Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien.

"In reply to yours of last month, I would say that the volume of the Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien which you desire, including the Musci & Hepaticae, is not yet complete. Unfortunately it is impossible to state when the volume will be completed, and how many parts it will include. The eleven parts already issued (price 3 Mk each) are for immediate delivery upon receipt of the price for the same. All details can be learned from the accompanying prospectus." [Emphasis mine].

I send you today the prospectus mentioned. Now it seems best to me to send at once for the parts already issued, and to engage to take the other parts, as they appear, and I shall probably send an order for them before very long. Let me know what you think, and if you care to do so I shall be glad to send your order along with mine. It will probably cost about 9 dollars, postage and all. It is the same price of course as if ordered through a regular bookseller. Let me know just what your ideas are on the subject.

A week ago Mr. W.R. Maxon of the National Museum, whom I know very well, suggested that I undertake the mounting and arranging of a collection of mosses which the Museum has recently purchased. They have no one upon the museum staff who is at all familiar with moss work, and ~~the~~ Maxon is very anxious to ~~make~~ have me undertake the work. Of course nothing definite can be done yet as Dr. Rose is still in Mexico. I should be paid by the hour, and the work would not begin until next spring. Then I could in a way, take my own time for doing it. There are about 2500 specimens in the herbarium to be arranged, but quite a lot of the work could be done beforehand by other help, such as getting the envelopes & label ready. Provided I can get a decent renumeration, and nothing serious occurs to hinder, I am very favorable towards the plan. I shall have to be here this year until about the 28 of June I think, as we have boys who are to take the Yale exams. If, as I now think I could get started on the job in May, I think there is a good show of finishing the job by the

week after the fourth of July, & hence not cutting upon my summer vacation seriously. The work would be much like that which I did at Brown, and I think I can get 35 ~ 40 cents per hour. If so, I think it for my advantage to do it, and buy Linnaeus with the proceeds. What's your idea?

No further news here at all. All is going hunky-dory, and I have as much work to do as last year. I am slowly forging ahead on more work, mostly indexing and such like. How are all the Providence folks, & how does Botany thrive? Let me know the news, and I'll do the same.

My kindest regards to all of them.

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear W.C. I am in receipt of yours of the third with enclosure. I will order very soon. I shall send for all parts to date & place an order for all subsequent parts bearing on mosses & hepatics, in exactly your in the same order. I hear to the contrary, No expert news. D—n. work in some ways for his actions. I will write a genuine letter soon. My kindest regards to all

Yr very truly yours,

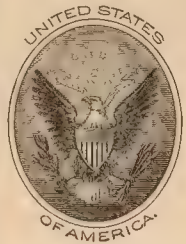
Edward B. Chamberlain

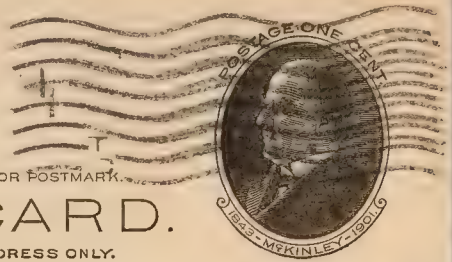
1830 Jefferson Place

Washington DC.

That peculiar Hera-cium we got at roadside in Mowlegan is H floribundum!

Nov 5, 1903.





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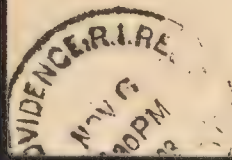
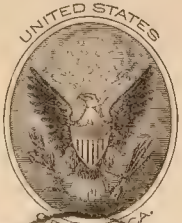
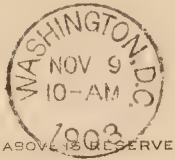


Oh, Collins, Collins! Read Torrey, Oct. 1903
pages 154--157. It is eloquent for itself!
I am laid up today with a little inflammation
of eyes. or cant write,

Yrs E.B.C. Nov. 8th 03.





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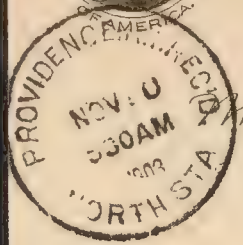

Mr. J. Franklin Calcius,
468 Hope St.,
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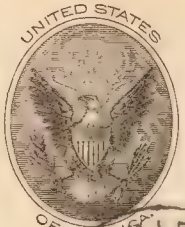
Dear Mr. C.: Our correspondence seems to be brief & to the point. Thanks for calling my attention to Sphtachum 150 m high. I have just begun tonight to index the last number of Bryologist. On page 95. Ochsner mentions Ulota coarctata. Whose name is that? He means Orthotrichum coarctatum (or Ulota Ludwigii) of course. But isn't the name really a new combination? Grout is such a damned ass in some things. By the way his label for moss no 169. Nan Mus. Pl. needs to have the word "Lake" inserted between beside & the first Washington. In his Bryologist article Grout also seems to contradict himself, regarding Hypnum reptile & Dicranum Bonjeanii as far as his Vt. Mosses go. By the way has Hypnum Boscii Schwagr ever turned up in R.I. that you know of. I have it from Mass & Conn. & reports from Vt. why not in R.I. Regards to all the people. All kicking lively here.

Mich. O.C. E.B.C.

Nov. 14, 1903.



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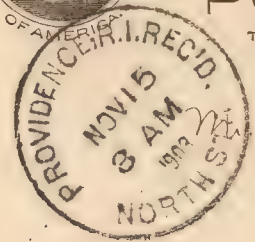

Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
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payable on demand. I sent Nov. 21, 00 I think the books will be here by Christmas time. By the way can you tell me what size book will be a good one to get for those Moxie & Pleasant Pond pictures? I have delayed long enough getting them mounted up; and now must get about it in earnest. Perhaps you can suggest a good form of a portfolio similar to those you have.

Mother writes that she is getting along famously at Cumberland. Plenty of coal and wood make quite a difference from last year, and also I think she finds it pleasanter to have a girl come then nights, than to have the bother of a regular boarder. Anyhow she seems pretty well contented there.

Well, I must get about some other work. Please remember me kindly to all the folks in Providence.

Very truly yours,
Edward B. Chamberlain.

1838 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Dec. 6, 1903.

Dear Collins:

Your postal has long remained unanswered. The moss of Grout's you and I speak of is number ~~169~~ 168 not 169. "Sclerodonium cespitosum. B.S. bare cottonwood trees, Lake Washington, Washington, Jul. Bently, 20 Feb. 1903." The word after Lake is omitted in Grout's label, and I wrote him about it.

Thanks very much for the note on the synonomy of Ulota Bruchii Hsch. Sometime I hope to have library enough to work out such things for myself. At present however, I think it more to the point to do some studying.

In accordance with this I am at work, not on mosses but on Convolvulaceae, and regarding that, I am going to press you into service. I enclose a list of the Rhode Island Convolvulaceae, and wish to know if you can let me have specimens of any of them for study. If you are willing to loan me what you have in your herbarium I will pay charges, and return them in good shape. I wish you would make enquiry about Cuscuta compacta, & C. influxa. Mr. Congdon, to whom I wrote is certain that C. compacta grows in Rhode Island, (he gives So. Kingstown & Ea. Greenwich) & Regarding C. influxa I am less certain. C. chlorocarpa, which Bennett reported, is, I feel quite sure, erroneous. The plants so marked in the Gray

Herbarium turn out to be C. arvensis, Beyr. If it isn't too much bother, when you send your plants along could I have the New England material from the college and from Hub. Bailey's. I shall be able to return them by the last of January I think unless something especial goes wrong.

I hope you had a pleasant Thanksgiving time and lots of Turkey. I got two dinners that day, so felt doubly thankful. For the vacation I went to Princeton, N.J., where Marsh, with whom I roomed at Brunswick, is studying theology. Our pursuits during the vacation were hardly theological, but much more entertaining on the whole. I got a chance to go over the University and the town, see a lot of Revolutionary relics, & a battlefield. Besides this we had some good cider and strawberry jam. Saturday both of us went down to Philadelphia to the Army and Navy football game to which a friend had given me two tickets. It was very enjoyable, tho' cold. While there I went over Independence Hall, & Leary's bookstore. In the latter I came across a copy of Gray's Manual with mosses & hepatics included, imprint of 1858. It was in splendid condition, and I promptly nabbed it.

Since vacation I have been working a little harder than usual in consequence of the frequently exams. at the school, but they are over at last, and I am free again.

I believe I wrote you that the work at the National Museum was all off as far as I am concerned. When Mason spoke to Dr. Rose, the latter said that the appropriation wouldn't allow it to be done, as there it is. No great loss in some ways as far as I am concerned, tho I should have enjoyed the chance of going over their mosses. The collection is some British thing from the younger Hooker, I think, with a set of 125 from the Netherlands and a few others, perhaps 3000 specimens. Of all states of excellence. It is Mason's job really, but he is not a moss-man and does not particularly relish the details of mounting &c, so he hoped to get me into it, and help both of us thereby. By the way, was your material of Cirriphyllum Boscii from Mrs. S.B. Hadley, in the last Bryologists distribution in fruit. Mine was in fine shape. As this moss is, I think, not common in fruit, I shall be glad to share some if yours be all sterile.

I now have specimens of it from Mass. & Conn. At the same time I received from Miss Carter Ulota American, U. crispa, & U. Ludwigii in fine condition from New Hampshire. I wrote her that I did not care for the Lichen offered, so she put in two extra mosses instead.

I have sent for the Engler and Prantl, some time since. The cost of your share so far is $8.32. I will keep the remaining 68 cents to your credit

R. J. Convolvulaceae.

Convolvulus arvensis, L.
repium, L.
spithamaeus, L.

Cuscuta. arvensis Beyr
chlorocarpa, Engelm
compacta, Jurs.
Gronovii, Willd,
inflexa, Engelm.

Ipomoea coccinea, L.
purpurea, Lam

1830 Jefferson Place. Washington, D.C., 13 Dec. 1903.

Dear Collins: There will be no need of the Convolvulaceae until after Christmas vacation, so don't rush over it. Regarding Cuscuta compacta and inflexa I hardly know where to turn. Mr Congdon says he is sure C. compacta grows in R.I. Unless there be specimens in Herb. W.W.B. I do not know where to look. Are there any other private herbaria in R.I. where I can get hold of J. L. Bennett? Does the R.I. Coll. Agriculture have any herbarium?

Thanks for the note about Photo mount holder.

The Gray manual I found in Phila. is dated. Newyork. 1858. Preface dated. 30. Jan. 1856.

p. 632. last words: "corolla nearly to the point"

p 702 " " "Foliage. delicate, pale glaucous green. (Tab. VIII.) (Eu)."

Pages 703 & 704 are 'Additions & corrections'.

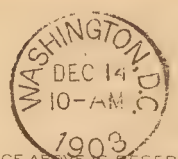
The Plates are inserted as follows. Tab I–V, Morus between p 608 & 609. Tab VI–VIII. Hepaticae between pp 662 & 663. Tab IX–XIII (Filices) between pp 588–589.

I reckon this will enable you to place the book. How do you like the different editions by this page business. I will see that you get Engler & Prantl as soon as they come. I know about the change of meeting of N.E. Bot Club. I don't know just what arrangements I shall make about my going back from the Christmas vacation, but will let you know in good season. All very quiet here. Mr. J. Dickinson of Boston Comm is in town and proposes to start a club for Moss Study. Reckon I shall join for a while anyhow. You may know these Cuscutas as follows. C. compacta, is polyspalous, with the calyx enlarged by 3–5 ribbons, appears scaly. C. inflexa has the corolla lobes acute, inflexed cremately, scales in the throat of corolla very minute.

Kind regards to all. Sorry you and are sick, but hope you will be better by the time this reaches you.

So long

E. B. C



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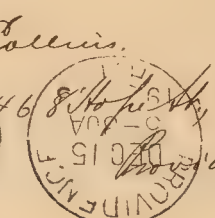

R.P.

Ye OLDen CENTURie

Dear Collins:

Here's wishing you, and all your kith and kin a merry jovial Yuletide, as well as a happy New Year. I send to you from Washington a little bundle to be forwarded by district messenger which I trust you have received in this. The books of Eugler & Prantl had not come when I left Washington yesterday, but a card came from Vogel, saying that the goods had been shipped. I will forward them on my return. Well, I have just gotten home, and will write you later on a real letter. My kindest regards & best wishes to all of you.

Cumberland Center, Me. Dec. 23. 08.

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THE ADDRESS TO BE WRITTEN ON THIS SIDE

PROVIDENCE DEC 24 1907

Mr. J. Franklin Collins,

468 Hope St.,

Providence,

R.I.

PROVIDENCE, R.I. REC'D. DEC 24 5:30 AM

Dear Collins:

Cold as — well colder than some places here. —14° this morning, so sitting beside my open fire I am to pay my devoirs to you. Many thanks for the photos, but why, oh why did thee omit the essential part of that picture which shows us at lunch? The others were very good, but that one.

Have been very busy ever since I came home, mounting plants. Have used up a ream of mounting paper, and could use a ream more only I haven't got it here, and can't buy it just now. Who was the fellow you were telling me about who could supply N.E. Club members with mounting paper? I am disgusted with the Camb Bot. Exp. Co., and I shall buy another ream soon for mosses. By the way can I get labels printed anywhere else than on Cambridge friends? I want a couple of hundred special labels for some things.

Oh, I shall be at the Club Meeting Friday, and will see you there. I shall probably

meet you as you come from your train if you come upon the usual one (arr. 7.05 ±) as I don't know what part of the Brunswick we are scheduled for.

All are well here, and the goose hangs high. I will take back with me all the Convolvulaceae & Cuscutaceae you can lay your hands upon.

My kindest regards to all the people

Very sincerely yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center Me.

29 Dec 1923.

Dear J.F.C. I got here at last after much waiting. Got a Pawtucket car, arrived at Station 8.30. The Federal met with a slight accident at Boston, and was delayed also by storm so we didn't leave Providence, i.e. the train didn't come until 4.45 AM. Now stuck for 3 hours near Richford Jct. Got to New London about 10, waited 1½ hours. Got a couple sandwiches, &c. then, but no food on the train. After much delay we finally got to Harlem River, no meals on boat but we routed out some food, and confiscated it. Had a real jolly crowd on the car, one, an old U.S. Naval officer was drunk and had a hang over all day. Got here at 7.30 AM Monday morning lacking only 15 min of being 18 hours late. Made a splendid time on the Pennsylvania 80 ms. per hour for a while. Everything fine here. Engler & Prantl at hand, and I will forward them tomorrow. Also I have Hofgiriquo's First Fascicle Musci Acrocarpi Boreali Americani. Good specimens well prepared and interesting. I have received the Bill for the mounting paper from Cate, Rice & Co. Will let you know about the paper as soon as it comes. My regards to all the folks.

As usual. E.B.C.

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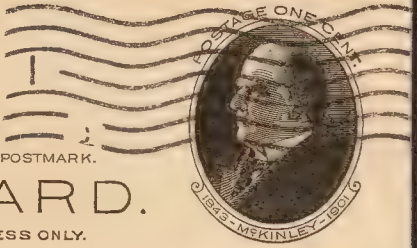

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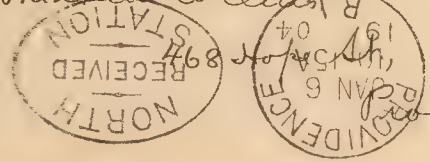

1830 Jefferson Place, Wash. D.C.
9 Jan. 07.

Dear J.F.B.

Yes I got 27 packets of Halgiqui mosses most of them good specimens and all interesting. I will hand the H2O2 sulphat to your order. Have been at work the last few days mounting mosses by stickers, it far superior to pins so far. Have all my pleurocarps except about 25 packets mounted. Hands Hope to get the acro's done before long. Have been reading Engler & Prantl some of late, find it great. Can I right in the synonymy of the following Marchantiales (vs. E. & Prantl)

Grimaldia = Grimaldia barbifrons, Lunularia
Aneuriella = " inflatus " "
Hypenantron = Fimbriata.
Chomiocarpon = Prensia.

but what do Sauteria, Aytonia and Cryptomitrium include?

All well here, and kicking as usual

E.B.C.

Are you going to send for any of the things in Kline's Collection, '5 of?

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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
21 January 1904

Dear Collins.

Your postal at hand. I have written Vogel about the Lieferungen of the E. & P. Pantl. and think all will be well. He is to send the bills to me direct, as this will save cost of money orders and I reckon your credit is good with me. Thanks for your verifying the sepionomy of Engler & Prantl. I did not mean you should go to all that trouble. I am at work on a systematic list of the hepatic genera following E. & P. to be alphabetically arranged like your part of Eaton's list you shall have a copy when it is done.

Regarding your idea of sending corrections to Mrs. Smith, I think it would be OK. I quote from her last letter to me,

"I was hoping you had found time to criticize the last (mid) Bryologist. I have gotten so I look ~~for~~ to you for critical errors, Miss Crockett marks a copy for typographical errors and it has helped train my eye. I certainly know, I have improved, but in spite of all my efforts a printers devil

hopes up at the last, and a few errors are the result. You notice points of scientific importance. I have asked Dr. Grout to do this for me but I can get absolutely nothing in the way of help out of him, Somehow the fine points do not appeal to him. I still keep perfection my aim, and when that number is issued, I probably would better quit."

It would seem from the above that the cultivation of the whole row devolves on Mrs. Smith. A.G.S. Ph.D. — being only a "figger". Her two sentences about him are quite instructive, and stand interlinear reading. Such being the case I think she would welcome criticism. Of course she isn't responsible for Holzinger's errors, but she will be glad to know of them I am sure.

I find I have neglected to thank you for the "Hamlet with Hamlet in" picture. Please accept the usual gratuities. It will be a fitting companion of the smaller print.

Yes I noticed that A.G.S. had retracted concerning Ulate coarctata. verily "fine points do not appeal to him"; I am often reminded of

Mr. Boulton's remarks "Somebody else will correct your errors, never mind making 'em." I did not suspect however that our worthy President Holzinger was of the same stamp. True, some of his articles in the Bryologist have been quite startling but yet, not enough to cause great alarm. Let us be charitable and think he was misled by Limpricht. That at least will allow him company to die with.

I was much annoyed at Grout's grave retraction of the determinations of various mosses in N Am Mus. Pl. in the last Bryologist. It may be only a coincidence, but all whose names were changed were marked "Det. A.J.G."

Things go merrily on here. thermometer +2° a few days ago. but now it's balmy and mild, but oh so muddy underfoot. I am progressing slowly but surely with Convolvulaceae, and now have only Cuscutaceae to go over, before I shall be ready to return the B.U. & J.F.C. collections. Your Sporoxea coccinea is OK. Some of the others furnished good additions of range as far as the closest on my list go. I have nearly all my pleurocarpous mosses mounted, and am beginning on the acrocarpi. If you wish I will send you the cards from my catalogue dealing with Muiaceae, Polytrichaceae etc. so you can see if you care to see any of the

specimens for the check list. There is no hurry of course, but I shall be glad to send cards or specimens at any time, as well as anything else you want.

The label folded & gummed, works all right in mounting, and I shall use it in place of pins hereafter, as its cheaper, neater, and quicker to use.

Everything is quiet at Cumberland but cold as, yes, colder than Hell, then -24°: a few days ago. Let us hope this means a warm summer.

Dr. Fellows writes that the Botanical Society meet at Fort Kent July 5. 1904. Hurrah for the Aroostook I shall go if I can get away from here in time and if mother is not sick.

Well, I think this covers all I have to say now. My best regards to all the folks and I hope they are all well.

Yours as usual,

E.B. Chamberlain.

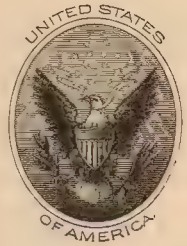
Oh, is Mr. Rich's address 300 Mass. Ave. Boston. I have sent two notices to him that I haven't got my December Rhodora, but don't a word or a magazine yet, has showed up.

Dear J.F.B.

Jan 24. 1904.

Have been indexing Tuckerman & Frost Catalogue Amherst Plants, of late and find two plants, Rhaconitrium ellipt. ins. (p 48) and Fontinalis Frost is (p 49) that I cannot get track of elsewhere, unless the Rhac in Dix & Jas. p 49. be Ranu. Can you elucidate, no hurry. Today have been at work on Cuscuta in B.U. plants. Have got what I feel certain is C. compacta, Jurs. collected 7 Sept. 1844, Seekonk, near Providence, R.I. (I take this to mean Seekonk Plain, not Seekonk Mass) by S.T.O. Now it up to you and Preston to find it again. It has been reported from S. Kingston, E. Greenwich, Quidnesset, and grows on shrubs. (Alnus etc) By the way, Heterocladium squarrosulum (Hypnum dimorphum) is reported in Grout's own list of Vermont mosses p 24. So now, he's caught in his own pitfall. To [illegible] with him anyhow. Tuesday next we have a meeting at Dr. Newman's of Washington members of the Sullivant Chapter. Rickoutt will have an old maids party. Shall get to on the farm.

As ever, E.B.C.



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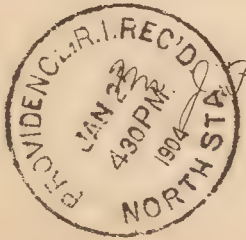

Mr. J. Franklin Collins.

468 Hope St.,

Providence, R.I.

31 January 1904. 1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the synonymy in the case of the Fontinalis and Racomitrium. I think I see it all now. I must begin to get a collection of the local New England Flora's together, so if you see a chance to buy any of them, except Tuck & Frost Amherst catalogue, please grab. Preston may have some. I wish you would see, I mean mos. including catalogues of course.

Now regarding Heterocladium squarrosum. I can't see where A.J.L. gets his authority from. Best. Look in Torr Bull. XXV. 125. and see what you think. Dr. Best merely gives a general range. Wh. Mts. and northward. In the face of this, of his own catalogue, and of the Tuckerman-Frost. etc, repats I consider that Grout has simply, but amply, made an egregious ass of himself. Apparently, too, from his recent remark & correction in the Bryologist he doesn't know the plant when he sees it. Yet he writes revisions of genera. Verily, a certain scriptural passage concerning the blind comes to mind.

Further, yesterday, while looking over some of Dr. True's mosses I found H. squarrosulum from Cabot N.H. coll. & det. Farlow, verified by True. I compared it myself with some of James original material from Shelburne N.H. and could see practically no difference. Here endeth the ossification

of Knox.

But I must tell you how I met Dr. True again. About 10 days ago Mrs. J. D. Lowe issued an invitation for us bryologists to meet in the study of Dr Newman, pastor of Congo. Church, and see what could be done toward forming a moss study club. Accordingly last Tuesday night some half a dozen gathered there, including Mrs Lowe, Mrs. Agnes Chase, Dr. Stockbeger, Mr & Mrs Newman and yours truly. Well, we didn't do very much except get acquainted, but I was mighty glad to see Dr. True again. Dr. Newman was in college with father and the same fraternity as both father and myself. He comes from Falmouth, knows many people that I know; also Mrs. Newman is from Brunswick and we have some mutual friends. Dr. True invited me to come around to his office in the Agric. Dept. So Saturday I went around, and had a nice time looking over his Diciana & mosses. I got there about eleven, so went to lunch with him, and happened to meet Mrs. True, who is a very pleasant

Afterwards I went over to see Maxon, and together we went over a lot of the British mosses that the Smithsonian has just received. They constitute the entire private collection of J. G. Baker of Kew. I am helping Maxon mount them up, and can take duplicates when I wish yesterday I got Thuidium tamariscinum, Bartramia Halleriana, Splachnum vasculosum & some other good ones. By the way what is Bartramia aestiva? I got some of that also. Think I shall go down there often!

Friday I received a moss from Miss Crockett of Camden Me. which proves to be Porotrichum (Thamnium) Alleghaniense. I find in my catalogue reports of it from Vt. and Mass. Does it come from

other states also? I believe it has not been reported from Maine has it. Also, has Aulacomnium androgynum been reported from Maine? If neither of them have I shall send a note to Rhodora, and ask him to mention it in the Bryologist perhaps. Both are common Mass. Cat. from Nova Scotia. What's Metzgeria myriapoda? and is Pylaisia intricata in the Mt. Desert flora? I haven't it in my card catalogue, but may have made an error. I feel condemned to go in pose upon you like this, but fear I shall have to do it until my card cat. approaches yours in completeness.

Yes, I always send Bryologist articles to Mrs. Smith. I have no use for A J Grout. I think you will find it best to do so.

I am urging Dr. Trice to go to Mt Kearsarge with me next summer if he can get off. Wouldn't it be jolly if he could go? I have written to Dr. Fellows as you suggested, and hope some good may come of it. What about Rich? I wrote to that lobster, Jan. 10, that I hadn't received Dec. Rhodora; again Jan. 17 I wrote this time on a reply postal. I haven't heard a word nor have I got the Jany Rhod. I paid my subscription at the Jany club meeting. Would you mind mentioning it to him Friday night if you see him. I think my letters must have been lost.

There is now news here but about 8 inches of snow, just beastly weather and disagreeable travelling. Examinations have been on at the school for the past few days, but as I got all my correcting done at the school I have had a lot of spare time at home for various purposes.

Have you any duplicates of a cuscuta collected by you Sept 1. 1890. in Minn's Woods reservoir Ann. Prov. on Nyssa? you named it C. Gronovii but it seems true C. compacta, Jness. If you have any duplicates I should like one.

In Maine, mother writes they are head and ears over in snow. a regular old fashioned winter and the low temperature makes it hard to keep warm at times. She's she gets along very well, on the whole, but it is rather lonesome for her just the same. I plan to have her come down here at the Easter vacation, if possible.

How are all your people getting along and how is work at the college progressing? Does W. W. B show up semi-occasionally yet? or has he hibernated for the winter.

Please remember me to all the folks.

As usual

Everett B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.

5 July, 1904.

Dear Collins,

I have today received my Jungermanniales Rhodoras, so you need not bother Mr. Rich about it.

Inclose a draft of a rough copy I have made of the works dealing with Mosses lists for New England. Some of the works mentioned probably do not contain any such material, but as I have not been able to see them, I can't say. I wish you would look it over, and let me know what you think of it. I have been over all the files of Torreya, and of the Bryologist, as well as the Bulletin since 1900, the date of the last of Miss Day's list. If you know of any additions please put them down, and also if any of the works listed do not contain mosses, note the fact. There is no hurry at all in the matter. It will be useful though as far as check lists go to have a complete knowledge of all the articles relating to the subject, as far as it is possible to have them.

Nothing doing here at all, just the same old grind. Hope you will have a good meeting Friday night. My regards to 'em all.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jfl. Place, Wash. D.C.
7. Feb. 03

Dear Jfl:

I didnt intend that you take a lot of time to go over that local flora list and make additions by page 10. Just glance through it, scratch out those you know to contain no mosses, and indicate where you think search could further be carried on profitably.

Yes, I have Aulacomnium androgynum in herb. from Cutler, Cumberland & Boothbay Me, but think it has not appeared in fruit. Neither has Porotrichum been recorded in fruit from Maine. I have it from Falmouth (E.B.C. JFC) & Camden (Miss Crockett). Saturday I was down at the National museum helping Marson, & got in exchange Paludella squarrosa Terrington Carr, Yorkshire (Lees Org Habit) with a lot of other good things.

Have just read Revue Bryologique Vols. 18-22. Have now vols 18-date complete.

All quiet here. Regards to you all.

E.B.C.

Your cascade from Minis Woods is C. conjecta

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Prof. J. Franklin Collins.

468 Hope St.

Providence.

R.I.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Feby. 22, 1904.

Dear Collins:

It has been so long since I have written to you that I fear I have forgotten quite a lot that I wanted to say, but perhaps that will be no great loss. We have been through a spell of real winter here; everything housed, water pipes frozen (not ours fortunately), and all sorts of dreadful things. It has kept me in doors most of the time and given me the chance to fix up a few little odds and ends of work, about some of which I will write you.

Regarding first the Thammium. I went over the plant last fall, and again this winter and feel quite certain it is Thammium alleghaniense, I mean the plant we collected along the Presumpscot last August. Recently Miss Crockett has sent me a scrap of it which she collected at Camden, and this also seems

to be correctly named. Aulacomnium androgynum I have from Boothbay, Butler, and Cumberland Maine. I want to go over these specimens carefully again, and then think that a note on them in Rhodora might not be out of place. Yesterday I went to work on the Hypnum which we collected in quantity at Scalice swamp Cumberland Aug 15 last. It is H. uncinatum in fine condition agreeing excellently with the descriptions and figures in Sullivan & Jameson. & the Lo. J. Manual. I am going to offer it in the Bryologist.

Today I have been busy with the Convolvulaceae from the National Museum. I took out the New England material, and some others for comparison. Your Cuscuta on Hypericum is ~~[illegible]~~ pure enough C. compacta. I found in a packet attached to your envelope, half a dozen bits of fruit or

flower clusters and took two of them to keep as a record in my own herbarium. I have now gone over all your material and that in B.U. except two sheets of C. Gronovii. These will be easy. There are three sheets however from Spectacle pond collected by Olney & by Congdon which are puzzles. They are either C. arvensis or C. inflexa and I cannot decide which. I am trying to make drawings of the scale characters &c. but as I have to use a compound microscope in order to use my camera lucida there are limitations and difficulties. Sometime I want a dissector to which I can attach a compound, and so get drawings of about 20 diameters instead of 50 as at present. Last fall I made a drawing board for use with the inclined position of the microscope and I think it is as good as the #4. B&L. as far

as real usefulness goes. my total outlay was 50¢ plus time of making.

I am still going down to the National Museum every Saturday to help Marson, getting duplicate for myself, and turning in plants there in exchange. I have a lot of real good things. Let me name some of them: Dicranum Scottianum, D. molle, Dicranella secunda, D. Grevilleana, D. squarrosa, D. Schuberi, Cynodontium Bruntoni, Seligeria calcarea, Bryum calophyllum, Webera Ludwigii, W. albicans glacialis, Bryum Warneum, Bryum falax from typical locality, B. turbinatum, B. neodamense, etc etc. Really I am much in luck. But I don't think I should care to work there all the time, there are several drawbacks, which would be serious I think. Dr. Rose, the head, is a stickler in my opinion, and I think

that there are a lot of freaks going the rounds down there besides. Steel, it's very nice to meet them occasionally.

Last Saturday I had a very pleasant call from Dr. Newman, who is interested in mosses and who was in college with father, and belonged to the same fraternity. We spent a very pleasant evening talking of mosses and other things. Those members of the Sullivant Chapter who live here in Wash—, are, as I wrote you, meeting every fortnight to talk mosses. They have got the idea of working up the local moss flora as much as possible, and I hope it may result in some sort of a list, which will be serviceable. Anyway it's good fun, and one can listen to the talk and say airy nothings with considerable pleasure. Miss Miller, the chapter secretary, is a pleasant little person, about 24 I should

think with a good knowledge of the commoner mosses, a better working knowledge than I have I think, for I have to go too much by fits and starts.

I have just received Holzinger's #a. and 28-50. of the Musci Acrocarpi. I was much surprized at his specimens of Polytrichum commune. When could he find such funny things, as is all that we have been calling P. commune wrongly named? A few days ago I looked over a "hunk" of moss I grabbed at Princeton N.J. last November, & found fine specimens of Catharinea angustata, I think, together with a big fruiting Hypnum which I have not named yet. I suppose it seems like a confusion of ignorance, but I am always bothered to tell Catharinea undulatum from C. angustatum. I must soon turn to and go over all my material make mounts and drawings. Then perhaps I'll

know them, usually. They are awfully "relative" species anyhow.

As you suggest, the synonomy of the Pylaiei's genus is "a little peculiar": I certainly have two different things of my own collecting from Maine, but just what they are the Lord only knows.

Sometime ago, as you suggested I wrote to the Secretary of the Providence Franklin Society enquiring if they knew of J. L. Bennetts Catalogue &c.; but I haven't had a yip in reply as yet, guess they are all dead. I wonder if Preston could get me a copy, do you think it would be worth while to write him about it.

Mochu writes that she is getting along fairly well, only that they have had a very cold, hard winter, and fuel has fairly melted away. She is getting along I think rather better than she expected

and is making the best of a bad matter. She can use her eyes now considerably more than she could last summer, which is a great comfort to her. I am in hopes that ~~you~~ she can go down to Bristol for a while next summer, perhaps while I am at Fort Fairfield, this will also be a welcome change for her. Life in the country villages as you know is dull, and she cannot get out much, but the neighbors are very kind indeed to her, and she has considerable to occupy her mind.

Can you tell me where Crum Idwall is? I find it constantly among those British Mosses, and have not as yet located it. Perhaps you can get track of it by the Wilson duplicate. It is mentioned also in Braithwaite under Pohlia polymorpha (B.M.F. II 145) I think you may find a hint of it somewhere,

If you don't I will try the Library of Congress, they must have the maps of the English Ordnance Survey.

Well, I must bring this letter to a close soon. Let me know how all your folks are, and what's going on in the department. I see that Bailey has been sick recently; was it anything serious, or just the usual attack? How does Miss Clark get along in Botany, has she revived anything yet? Tell your mother that I have joined the Tabard Inn Library and find it a great thing, and surely the most convenient way for me to get reading matter.

Remember me to all of them please. Oh! have you ever tried to name either the Fontinalis we got at Falmouth by the waterfall, or any of the fruiting sphagna?

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins:

I have just heard from the Providence Franklin Society regarding the Bennett's Catalogue and have got on the track of a copy, so you need not fash yourself unduly regarding it. I have also heard of a copy of the Berzelius List for sale and hope to be successful in securing it.

Everything is quiet as the grave here, and very little doing. From various reasons I have had an unusual amount of work this week so have found very little time for avocation, but I hope for more success next week. Remember me pleasantly to all the Providence folks.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place
Washington, D.C.,
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1830 Jefferson Place
Washington, D.C.
11. March 04

Dear Collins,

I have been long delayed in writing your letter, but really I am desperately busy just now, with all sorts of work. Even now I am too busy to more than write a line to you. I have been trying to get a set of Lesbeas which I have determined; to do that I shall make dissections & drawings of each species, and then go ahead on them. I have most of the dissections made but the drawings take lot of time and patience, and I haven't the time. Then just about the middle of this work Dr. Newman brought in to me, two mosses from Yellowstone park, Fissidens grandifrons, and Orthotrichum rupestre, which took two afternoons. Would you like duplicates of either of them?

Go ahead and report on Cutler specimen. I shan't have the time to do so yet, and I don't care particularly about doing so. Before I should feel safe in doing so I ought to go over the specimens carefully and make drawings, and I haven't the time now. Later I may send the Bryologist a note regarding Porotrichum Alleghaniense.

I have found the time to compare your Cercuta compacta with material in the U.S. Herb. and feel certain of it. There is also in the Olney Herb. what seems to be undoubted Cercuta inflexa, from Spectacle Pond [Lincoln?]. It isn't C. arvensis, anyhow. If comparative drawings show any difference. Oh hurry, it's a long job, and I really get but little time.

You shall receive duplicate of the

British mosses in due time, so faint not, but you will have to wait, In some cases I can send fairly good specimens, others only a bit, and in a few cases I have only 2 or 3 stems myself.

Dicranum Atrichum, and I find this sentiment echoed by most other working Botanists I have met.

I have finally secured Bennett's Flora through Mr. Preston of Providence, He says he will keep a look out for me for other local catalogues I can buy gradually as the chance offers. Got Lucilliant Pacific RR report the other day for 75¢. it will require binding however.

Engler and Prantl has not shown up yet but I think I may hear before very long, if not I shall write again, Do you think Roth's new Moss flora of Europe, men-

tioned in last Bryologist worth buying, and how about Besche relle's "Sylloge;" that, I take, it will deal mostly with tropical mosses.

Well, I must to bed. Regards to all and I will write more later. N.B. I meant Fort Kent not Ft. Fairfield.

Yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

830 Jefferson Ave. Detroit 17
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Dear JFC:

Sullivant's P.R.R. Rep. is

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Washington DC. 1856.

Weigel sent today Lefevre 218, 219.
with bill. He said he had sent you
gomes. I suppose he wants to wait
save postage. The bill for the two
came, total. Mk. 12.80. so your share
is. Mk. 6.40 = $1.60 of which I believe I
have a credit to your account of. 42 ¢.
leaving $1.18 due me from you. Don't
bother to remit so small an amount
now. Will it pay me to order Roth's
work when I send the check to
Engl. & Brantl? I presume you receive
catalogue from them also. Let me
know if you wish to order anything,
and I can remit all in a bunch.

As usual.. You should sometime
have bits of the
Yellowstone Pk. Mus.

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quote page. I have it in my card cat. &
fol. skeptical, I may have made a mis-
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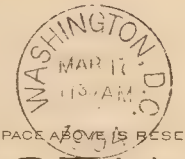

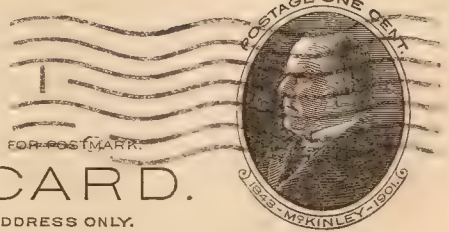

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468 Hope St.
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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
21 March, 1904.

Dear Collins:

Your letter at hand. I have been over your article, your letter, and Holzinger's article in considerable detail, comparing quotations and such like. I fail to see wherein he can consider himself personally attacked, except by inference that he failed to look up references. And to that charge I, personally, think him open. And how in blazes does he argue that you have assailed his argument on Hymenoctomum? That is beyond me.

Had you remarked that Lindpicht's conclusions seem vague, I think you would have been correct. Moreover, it is my personal conclusion that Holzinger himself could have made a plainer statement of his own view than he has done.

But coming down to a definite opinion

regarding your article, I cannot see any reason for Holzinger's feeling put out. The errors you quote, and correct, are in Luipricht, and, consequently, in a "faithful translation;" and reflect no blame on the translator himself. You have not called in question his own work, confining yourself solely to matter translated by him; the errors being in the original German.

I am sorry that trouble has arisen in the matter, and feel myself to blame for encouraging you to print the article. Holzinger, being "dutch", will doubtless be disagreeable in his article; possibly, as you suggest, personal. This last will be more unfortunate for himself than anyone else. Don't feel worked up over the matter; he is an uneasy soul, and has

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ever been in hot water over something. He couldn't get along with the museum authorities here.

I am getting disgusted with a lot of the fuss made in the Bryologist of late, and pity poor Mrs. Smith, who, I fear, has to take all the cussing and get no credit for the success of the affair.

A very peculiar thing happened when I subscribed for the first fascicle of Holzinger's exsiccatae. When I sent in my ~~order~~ order I enclosed $1.50 in money order to pay for the same and bind the bargain. Imagine my surprise, to receive a card reading: "My dear Sir:— I regret that you sent sub. so far ahead; it may be two months before I can send out fasc. I. ---- Please do not even pay for a thing before you have it! Will you be willing to wait, or shall I return P.O. order. My only reason for not

returning it at once is because I would cause you this double expense for the order". And again with the first fascicle, I received a card, which read "I will now cash your postal order of two months ago." Verily an honest man is a pearl among ten thousand!

But let's let Holzinger take his a— in his hand and go to blazes if he wants, I would not loose any sleep over him or worry ~~to~~ about him anymore, as he is not worth minding. I shall be rather chary of contributing matter to the Bryologist in the future. They can run their damned old journal as they jolly well please. For all I want Rhodora is sufficient, and if anything further is needed, why, Hennot has requested notes for the Revue from me.

Surely, however, it a waste of time attempting to correct other peoples mistakes, and

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rather a thankless job eh! Will let them scrub their own pots, and thus have more time to perfect our own pothooks.

I enclose bits of the Fissidens and the Orthotrichum, together with my notes on the latter. I am keeping you in mind regarding English material, and your day shall come. Thanks for the note on Bryum argenteum not being in Mt Desert, Unless in the Academy Bulletin list it has not been reported from Maine I take it, as I know no card catalogue reference. There are a lot of things that ought to be in Maine which have never been reported therefrom.

I shall send for Roth I think when I send pay to Weigel, this week, and have further parts sent me.

how do you like my new microscopic keeper?

Regards to all,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear J.C.,

Thanks for the Cuscuta, mightily. I have looked at it a bit with a hand lens, and from the size, shape & color I think it sure C. inflexa, and a mighty good find. The specimens I have of it, from B.U. Herb. are collected by Congdon, Spectacle Pond, 1871, and 1872, and same locality, S.T. Olney, 1872, with duplicate sent to Engelmann.

All as usual,

1830 Jefferson Place,
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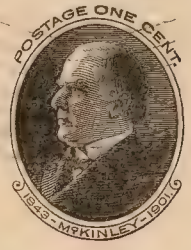

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Mr J.F. Colins,

468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R.I.

Dear J.C.:

Verily, fools are not all dead! Verily, Ph.D., goeth blindly through this world. And if the blind lead the blind howbeit that both shall not fall into the pit? You certainly have a good one on Ph.D. and after he has so often praised and held up for study Dixon & Jameson. I shall be interested to learn wherein he excuses himself in his reply to you. I think it the best joke of the season, better than Heterocladium. But don't announce it, Oh! no, not for worlds would we dim his prestige among moss students.

By the way, I went over Limpricht this afternoon and compared Holzinger's translation with the German. The translation is excellent, and all of the errors you correct appear in the German

text, with several more typographical one. Consequently I can see less sense than ever in his kick. He must be a peppery sort of a lobster anyhow, to get hot because Grimpricht, now dead & buried, made errors. Why didn't he look up the references himself, and then correct them. His place now is to shut up.

But as you suggest, laugh and grow fat, I shall await the next Bryologist with interest, and see what thunderbolts of vengeance he can pour ~~fourth~~ forth.

Well, here's hoping,

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
23. March 1904.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
April 6. 1904.

Dear Collins,

I have been very slow in answering your last letter, and now can write but a line. Mother came here a weeks ago, and her presence, together with examinations and sightseeing have put a damper on work or correspondence. Keep the notes on Fissidens by all means. They are merely a copy of my own. I am glad you are safely over any difficulty with Holzinger, but my opinion of him, as hasty careless and generally a nuisance has not changed. If he does publish anything further in the affair I think he will make a bigger ass of himself than ever. Perhaps he will do so no matter what subject he writes on.

I have looked at your samples of envelope paper. Personally I should be chary of adopting a colored paper, unless the pale blue tint, and think the same result can be obtained by the use of special labels. Josephs coat, of many colors, never did appeal to me. The bluish paper I like very much however. On

the whole I think it better to use white envelopes. for all, except in large collections, where blue could be used for types. the same effect can be secured, as far as ease of distinguishing by the use of special labels, and tinted label paper. The Gray herb. has used colored labels for special collections I think.

In my own case, it will take too much time to carry out any scheme that involves recovering the mosses already mounted.

Well I must hurry off. Mother sends her kindest regards to all the folks. Please also remember me to all of them.

As ever.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
30 April 04.

Dear Collins:

Your card at hand, and I have delayed answering. But today I received the first five parts of Roth: Europäisches Laubmoose and have waited until I could look it over a bit. I am much pleased with the text, printing, and although the plates are a slight disappointment, I find that they ~~bear~~ can study, and also inspection, better than one would think. I am mighty glad I have got it. Mother has just sold my bicycle, and I shall use the money from that as a nucleus towards Ångström's meanwhile living as close to the wind as I can.

No, you have not paid me yet for the last parts of Engler & Prantl. You are right as to the amount, $1.18. Don't hurry about it it is a small sum to bother about just now.

The last few days, I have been going over

some mosses which I picked up here a few weeks back. So far nothing unusual, except good fruiting specimens of Cirriphyllum Boscii. I think Sauk is wise in separating that species at least. No superhuman endeavors here, and show it an Eurhynchium following Bolleg. The leaves never approach "deltoid" [p 169]. and are nearer the ovate described for Rhynchostegium. My specimens showed opercula and annulus nicely.

I still have you in mind, and you shall get duplicates, tho small, of all the Baker Herbarium mosses that I can spare. Some of my specimens are, tho very minute. I have about 150 mosses on hand awaiting cataloguing and indexing, labels are to be written for over a hundred, and a lot want mounting so you may have to wait a while.

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Mother and I had a very pleasant time during my vacation. She was here nearly two weeks and we managed to see about all the things to be seen in the city that was worth visiting. She got home all right tho' she got a bad cold on the way, and was very tired. She gave me a compliment which I think a pretty big one: namely, that she had had the best time since father courted her. How was that?

I suppose you have received the card from Miss Moulton regarding the Josselyn meeting at Fort Kent. It is nice that the ticket read for two weeks. Then one ~~at~~ can really <u>do</u> something. The distance also will weed out the less enthusiastic nature students. I have seen Dr. True several times of late. He won't

be able to go himself, but says if I will collect Dicranum for him he will turn over to me a lot of duplicate from the Fox Islands &c. in Eastern Maine. I closed the bargain at once. What does Pogonatum brachyphyllum look like? do you know it? I have a P. brevicaule with leaves but slightly serrate. Not really entire, but verging that way. Ever since I came down here I have been on the outlook for P. brachyphyllum.

Well, it nearly dinner time and I must close up shop. Please give my kindest regards to all the folks.

As usual

E. B. C.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.
April 24. 1904.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the check, and the tracings, both are welcome. The tracing shows up clearly the differences in shape in the leaves, especially at the apex. I think it rather strange that the differences are not more clearly brought out in Barnet Heald. In many ways that key is not so good as it might be.

I am sorry that mother neglected to write you all while she was here, but you got just the true explanation. There was very little time for correspondance after sightseeing was over.

Please, when you see the Gregorys, extend my sympathy to them over their daughter's death. I never knew them very well of course, but they were very kind to me indeed, when I met them.

How I envy you your trip through the Gaspé country, you ought to make some great

finds unless sheep intervene as they did on Hay-stack. May you prosper greatly.

Let me know about the Waltham moss trip, and who that man Gerlach is, I have had several mosses from him.

Hurrah for W.W.B. truly he renewth his youth like the eagle, But its mee for you just the same.

Well, there is little more wherefore I should write. So I'll leave it for next time.

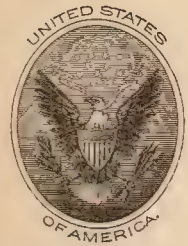
Very truly yours
Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear Mr C, 1830 Jefferson Pl. Wash. DC.
May 5, 04

I have just been indexing the least Bryologist. Just for fun please compare Bryol. VII p 49. first line under Pilotrichella cymbifolia with statements by EBB, on p 60 Bryol VI. also compare the synonymy listed in Bryol VII 50. with that in Bryol V. 11. By the way how she does sit on Grout on p 50: Of his article on p 51 is about the biggest mess of dud not I ever saw. Also is Leskea crassiretis p 42 a misprint. Note, too, Mrs B's attitude toward the Paris Code on p 48. and again on p 50.

Do you index chapter offering as on p 52.? I have more to write you later in re articles by yourself, but of that under sealed cover. As usual

E.B.C.



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
May 22. 1904

Dear Collin

We are having a hot sticky Sunday, so don't feel hurt if this letter is rather short. Last Sunday it was the other extreme. I was up to the Great Falls of the Potomac on a canal-boat trip, and we had to walk most of the way to keep warm. However I got Grimmia leucophaea, (?) in fruit which was worth the trouble. I haven't examined it yet but it looks remarkably like the plant which I got in a sterile state about 3 weeks back and which I feel pretty sure of. Then I got a few other things, unknown, which look rather good.

I have been rather busy of late indexing in magazines &c, and so have not done very much work with a micro. I have also finally, after unpardonable delay got the Convolvulaceae which I borrowed of you gone over, and will, if nothing happens send them to you by Express tomorrow. So if

you don't receive them in a few days, drop me a postal. When I go home, if I get through in time I think I shall stop in Cambridge long enough to look over the Gray & N.E. Bot. Club. herbaria, then I shall be about done with the whole thing.

There are several gaps to be filled in yet, but I have hopes of filling them by the end of the summer.

I shall stay at Ft Kent a fortnight if expenses are not too heavy. I don't know how they will be as yet, but I hope that they won't prove prohibitive. I will let you know as soon as I know myself. I shan't know for a fortnight yet just when I shall be through here, so things are somewhat in the air. Probably however about June 20th

I am not down at the Natl Mus. now as Mason has gone for a six weeks trip to Jamaica. consequently I have more spare time. than

I have formerly had. This week an old friend of mine named McCoy is here in the city on business and my afternoons and evenings are devoted to him a good deal. There is not much going on in the city now, as everyone is leaving for the country. A week ago Saturday I was at the country home of one of the boys at the school, and let an idiot, pitch ball, so I was so lame that I scarcely moved the first of the week. We had a mighty nice time though.

Will you pardon a little criticism? Don't you think it would have been better to have put ~~made~~ the two notes in the last Bryologist relating to our friend Holzinger, under one heading, and made one article of it? I think it would have keeped the appearance of the article considerably. This however is strictly none of my concerns, so forgive meddling.

Have you seen Mrs. Smith's "Flora of the Adirondack League Club Tract?" It seems to me to be a nice little bit of work barring a few typographical errors. Sometime I want to work up, & perhaps publish a list of the mosses around Cambecland. I have some 40 species now and think the number can be increased to nearly a hundred with the collections I already have. Perhaps I can make some headway at it this summer, if I don't have too much else to do. However I am not banking very heavily on it as yet.

Do you know of any way to prevent glycerine jelly slides from spoiling? I have some which have been made about 5 years, in which the jelly is all full of irregularly branched lines as if air had run under the jelly. I don't know what causes it, can you ~~explain~~ suggest a reason or a remedy?

I have almost a mind at times to give up mica and make my permanent mounts asphalt, indeed were it not for the space it would take and the bother of carting them around I think I would. I have got to rig up a device for keeping the slides hot for mounting, heretofore I have depended on a hot water bottle, and it isn't the most convenient thing ever devised. I must experiment a while anyhow I suppose.

I hope that you will find it possible to stop in Cumberland a while this summer, and both mother and I will be much pleased if your mother can come along too, I believe mother has written her about it already. Both of you will always be welcome.

Well, I am written day. Let me know how he would moves in Providence.

Affectionately E. B. Chamberlain.

Washington, D.C.,
1830 Jefferson Place.
May 31, 1904.

Dear Collin:

Yours of Sunday at hand. I sent the Convolvulaceae May 23d, consequently they ought to be there. This afternoon I went to the express office here, and they will start a tracer at once. I sent them to you, at the University. I enclose a copy of the receipt I have, and suggest that you give the Express Office in Providence a Jolt.

If nothing is heard before many days we will return to the company and use Language.

I am just back from a vacation of two days which I spent with Mr. E.L. Morris at the Biological Society's clubhouse, about ten miles up the river on an island. Had a very pleasant time indeed, just the same, practically as camping out there, only there was a good house in case of rain. Thanks for your invitation, but as there is considerable likelihood of

my being here until June 28. I think it doubtful if I could accept anyhow. Hope to see you in September, Wed. I must go to dinner.

As ever,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

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Dear Collins:

I am going to send this letter to Providence as I dont know where you may be now. I have got some bad news for you, which is that I shall not be at the Ft Kent meeting this summer. I have to stay here lecturing until the second or third of July, and may not leave even then. Consequently, I shall be at home all my vacation and not try to get away for the Hyslop meeting.

My work is as follows. In the forenoon from 9-12 I have ~~[illegible]~~ work at the school tutoring boys in college exams, then from 1-6 I am at the National Museum where I have the job of arranging the collection which has just been received from the Department of Forestry, and amounting to about 10,000 spe-

imens, about 2/3 of which are mounted. Then in the evening I have two hours tutoring in French and German, with one of my last year's pupils. So you see I am rather busy. The forestry work is very pleasant and easy, except that it takes time. Most of the specimens have to have labels written, and some to be repaired or remounted. All of that however I can turn over to another person, whose sole duty is to do what mounting I need done. Then also I have an assistant who sorts over the plants arranges them in order, and does what odds and ends there are. I hope to go through the entire collection before July 1, when my work stops, but I hardly think that I can do so as it is an enormous job. Writing say 8.000 labels is no small piece of work.

Then the tutoring in French and German takes up my evenings and may last after the first of July. You see,

this boy has 300 pages of German and 300 of French to read, and he is anxious to get it done, so as to enter Cornell in the fall. He came to me to tutor him, and I agreed to do so while I was here at least. He also asked me ~~to~~, in case we do not finish by July 1, to go up to Gloucester with him, at his summer home, and finish it there. I have not decided what to do as yet. It will depend on the amount left to do when July 1 comes.

I am sorry to miss the botanical meeting, but as it was, even before I took the French & German, I had decided to cut it up, on account of its taking so much time off of my available hour vacation. When I am not cau-

ing any money, and am simply off for keeping. I am getting rather chary of spending much vacation away from home.

I hope you will have a right good time and enjoy yourself very much, also your trip to Rivière du Loup, It is a trip that some day I shall surely take. I don't know just when, but it will come. Let the meeting please remember me to all the good Botanical people, who I trust will be only earnest workers, this time. Remember me too, when you write to the people in Providence. I shall surely see you all on my way back in September.

Very truly yours

Chas. R. Dodge

Cumberland Center. Maine.
August 5, 1904.

Enclose a note for M.C.F.

Dear Collins

I suppose that you are up in the wilds of Kaché, roughing it to your heart's content. I have heard a little of your doings from letters that your mother has written us. You indeed will have lots to think over & tell when you get here. Now this is in the way of an invitation, with conditions. Clarence Knowlton has invited me to come up to Farmington with him the week Aug 29 - Sept 3.. Now I want to know when you are going to be here, so as to arrange about things. Will you please write me, for if you are to be here just at that time I can make different arrangements with Clarence. Also will you please tell Mr. Fernald, that if he can stop off here on his way back to Cambridge, I should be very much pleased to have him visit me a few days. I would write him a formal invitation but I don't know how to reach him other than this.

To sum up: I should like to know just when all of you are coming back, then I want to know if Fernald can't visit me awhile, (both of you if you can, and at the same time) lastly when you will be here. If you will let me know, as soon as you can I shall be much obleged. Please be sure to tell Mr. Fernald that we, mother and I that means, are very anxious that he should come. You and I can speak frankly, and you will understand why I write for dates.

Not much doing here, dudes nor Job's camels.

Mother and I spent a week at Bristol, where we made calls & loafed most of the time, Incidentally I got about 30 specimens of Hylocomium splendens cf. Aside from that, and one days work here, I have done almost no collecting, but am bending my energies to getting things cleaned up, & mounted &c. &c. Dr. Fellows is to spend the Saturday & Sunday next (Aug 6-7) with me, if it's pleasant, and I expect doings.

I shall have, I hope by the time you get here, a lot of duplicates of those British mosses for you, but I am not making any brags or promises to that effect. There are a lot of little things to do, and the time doesn't seem half long enough. Will I must pack a box for mother. Love to you all

As usual

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Maine.

Sept. 8, 1904.

Dear F.C.

I am awfully sorry that you could not come down here for a few days on your way back, but I have no doubt but that Prof Quel. proved equally interesting and vastly more profitable botanizing.

As you suspected I was at Farmington, having made arrangements with Knowlton to go there if you did not come. On the way up I stopped off over Sunday with Mrs Eaton in Chesterville, getting an ear full of the iniquities of her neighbors, as well as the sins of other botanists. She has been attempting exchanges with members of the Linnean fern chapter, I found the road rough & stony, I reckon. She herself has a peculiar way of writing her requests (or demands) and as a result she succeeded in getting hold only of the "freak" members. They either wanted living ferns or cultivated ones, or wouldn't send her good specimens, so the uproar has been great.

Then too, she has seen in the Lewiston Journal an account of the wonderful finds that a boys' naturalists club has made over in Norway Me.

She has written them several times and received no reply. So fresh trouble. However in spite of all the grips and cranks I had a good time, and collected also carex paucieflora for the first time, and a peculiar floating Hypnum cfr.

I spent the most of the week at Farmington and Strong, with Clarence Knowlton, Our real serious botanizing was done on Day Mt near Strong village. Where there is a rather deep gorge, and waterfall; the brook comes down over the side of the mountain which is very steep, and has cut out a place like that at the Huston Brook Falls in Pleasant Ridge only about a mile in length. I think it would be good for mosses, but I did no collecting. One can't when traveling with Knowlton is my experience. Sometime I want to go up there and simply hunt for mosses.

To tell the truth I have done no collecting in mosses this summer, & a very little in flowering plants outside of one trip with Dr. Fellows, and that up in Franklin Co. I have however got about half my ~~mounted~~ unmounted plants attended to. There has been a lot of outside work this summer, and I have had very little spare time.

I plan to stop a few days in Providence on my way down south. probably I shall get there about the 23d of this month but I am by no means sure of it. I hate to cut mother's share of my vacation short. I have to stop in Cambridge a bit on my way down to look up some things at Gray, and so shall have to leave here early at the best.

We have a telephone now, put in yesterday. Then it will not be necessary for mother to go out of doors during the heavy weather in the winter, and if she wants help at any time, she can get it. The central, in the next building to ours, is open 24 hours a day, and all the year round.

Host a bunch of keys up country and ~~no wonder~~ am unable to get my trunks locked, ~~and~~ my nice case unlocked. I have written B&L however for a duplicate key.

By the way I got rather a good offer this summer. I sent Dr. Bert some sketches on which I had been at work and with them sketches that I had made with the camera. When he returned the sketches he complimented them, and said that he & Mr. Britton were looking after

some one to draw from the microscope, as Miss Taylor who had worked for them, was very sick & so unable to work; and did I draw for pay. I felt very much flattered; but I have no time to spend on other folks drawings, so I wrote to that effect.

Well I must get this to the office. Remember me to everybody in the Collins Association. We are all well here, and Mother sends her regards.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Dear Collins:

Will it be convenient for you to have me spend Sat. Sunday, & perhaps Monday, Sept 24-26 with you, arriving Friday night? Please be perfectly frank about it. I am planning to leave here Thursday early, spend the afternoon & Friday at Gray, then come to Prov Friday night. If not too much trouble I wish you would drop me a line as soon as you get this, so I can know by Tuesday what is to be done. I am busy as 2 bees, and have lots yet to do before I leave.

All well here, & hope you are the same.

As ever

EBC

Sept 17, 1904.

Boston:—

Dear Jf6:

I shall get to your place sometime tomorrow evening. I don't know just when, but probably before 9 P.M.

As ever

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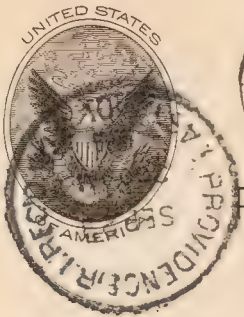
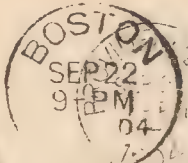
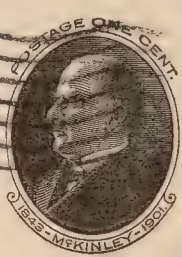
Thursday.







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Dear J.F.C.,

Got here OK. but had a long wait getting to the station, as the cars after all were somewhat bothered by the fire. Moreover the train was held up about 2 hours by a freight wreck near New London, Ct. Everything quiet here and school has opened very favorably. Sunday I hope to get my old letters gone over and a lot of back work brought up to date. Read the article in the last Century magazine on the Nitrogen bacteria & Dr Morris's work. It looks good. Please remember me to all the folks.

As usual

E.B.P.,

1830 Jefferson Pl.

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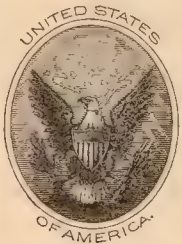

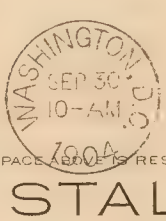

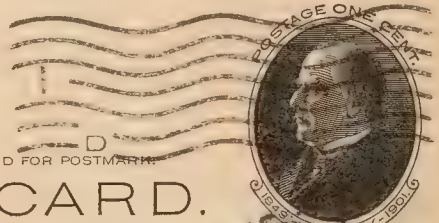

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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,

468 Hope St.,

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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.
9 Oct. 04

Dear Collins:

I know I haven't kept very well my little promise to write soon. I have been busy of course, but I really think I ought to have sandwiched in the time somehow. School here has opened very well, we have almost as many boys now as during the maximum period of last year's session, and they have classified so well that the number of classes have decreased. To be sure, there is one less teacher so the total amount of work will I think remain about stationary, but I do not have nearly as much to do outside of school hours.

Just now we are all in expectation here, due to the fact that painters will soon be here to paint & paper my room. Isn't that swell? Temporarily I am housed in the southern room, and have all my things unpacked. That is one reason why I have been busy, as I have tried to get everything compactly put away and yet accessible, for I don't know how long I may have to wait. By the present indications we may have to wait a month.

I have been indexing and mounting up a lot of mosses, which have been piling up since last June, and also getting my collection arranged in Engler & Prantl sequence so far as published. I am going to adopt that even to genera, & specific segregations in most cases, just to have a standard of reference. The darned Pottiaceae (Pottia, Desmatodon Barbula Tortula, Tortella &c &c) have given me no end of trouble as the old genera are so split up, but I think systematically adhering to the one plan will prevent my having the same plant under two names in two different parts of my collection. I notice Brotherus uses Pohlia = Webera, but keeps Weisia and Distichium. I wish I could find out just his method in nomenclature. Probably the, its à la Berlinoise.

I see a new edition of Dr G Handbook is out, have you seen it, and if so what about it, I have the old you know. Also what is "W. Migula: Kryptogamen Flora von Deutschland, Deutsch Oesterreich und der Schweitz, Band I ~~Moose~~ Moose, Gera R. 1904"; I merely saw it mentioned in either Science or the Bot. Gaz & think.

Can you tell me the adress of the Mr. Andrews who is working on Sphagna? I should like to send

him some specimens, and Dr. Weeman also wishes to write to him. Lieferung 9. of Roth's Laubmoose has just come, then can't be very many more of them to appear.

Holzinger has acknowledged the receipt of my Dicranum but he has not had time to examine it. Probably its flagellare anyhow if anything uncommon, and if he doesn't want it I can let you have a small specimen.

We had a big fire in a stable about 3 blocks from here today, but no special rumpus about it. Considerable loss to carriages, and only the walls left, but it did not spread. They had 10 engines & a water tower going part of the time. I was up on the roof of a big apartment house near by, and could look immediately down upon the fire, so I got an excellent view of it all. It was rather fierce while it lasted, but was pretty much out 3 hours after.

Nothing much else going on here. Yesterday I was at the Natl Museum for a while looking up

my friends there, and on Friday evening I called on the Mrs. Chase who you remember recently received Scirpus lacustris in Rhodora. She is a very nice little woman, with whom I got acquainted last year. I took over to her some Panicums & other grasses which she wanted to see. Later on I shall probably be at work with Maxon on the mosses in the National Museum, on much the same terms as last year. but it won't begin for a month or so yet probably.

How is all the world moving in Providence? I hope Mr Jenckes' eyes are by this time quite well along. It's right hard for him to be semi-blind so long. And how does W.W.B. stand the racket, does the Am. Botanist still hold ranking position among American Botanical Magazines, with Rhodora in the far rear? How long do they usually delay before sending the separate from the last-named sheet? I ordered some of the Sept issue, but they have not yet arrived. Well, I must cut this short, also this style of paper has gone out. Here's wishing that you all are in good health, Please remember me to the whole family.

Ever yours

E.B. Chamberlain

1830 Jefferson Pl. Wash. D.C.
Sunday Oct 16. 1904

Dear Collins:

I am having a little trouble with my eyes in consequence of being out in a strong wind a day or two ago, so all I shall write is a note. When I was in Providence you said something about sending my separates to some of the Western Universities. Will you please be more definite? I should like to work up a mailing list, that will be useful in bringing in exchanges, and any thing that you can suggest will be helpful, & thankfully received.

Nothing else much doing here, but we are all decently well. Hope you are the same. I saw a good thing in this month's "McClure," where a little girl is represented as giving the familiar Bible quotation about wine, in the following manner. "God is a mocker,

Strong drink is ragtime; It's a little forced, but the latter part is not so worse.

My regards to all of you.

As usual,

E. B. L.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Oct 23, 1901.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the notes about the sending of separates. I am going to try, to do something along that line. Today, I have finished going over the summer's magazines, have the card catalogue up to date, but there are a lot of books that yet need attention. Too bad Fernald has a big appendix. I hope that by this time he is well on the road to recovery. I shall drop him a line in a day or so too.

That's the best yet on W. W. B. regarding the Amateur Naturalist. I think you had him all right there. Still his criticism of the value of such magazines being about a trifle's darn, is true even if he does contribute to them. Most of his Am. Bot. articles are fluddoodle.

The 2d Edition of Dr J. Handbook is noticed in the last Revue Bryologique. the Migula Kryptogamen Flora. is I think in some recent number of the Bot. Gaz, but I am not sure. Thanks also for Andrew's address. I shall send him some Sphagna I think, or at least

ask him if he wants some. Sorry you are not permitted to get back in time for that afternoon class in botany; it is astonishing what a long walk it is from George St to Doyle Ave; Still I would hurry its back for the digestion, and that your weak point. Moreover exercise improves WWB.

Well, as the kids say, I've been and gone and done it now. Last week I received a letter from Miss Mellen, secretary Sullivan, Mass. Chapter, saying that the board of control had nominated me for President of the Chapter. I know Miss Mellen quite well, so I wrote her rather fully, my reasons for not wishing to serve. Today, came insistent & begging notes from her, & from Mrs. Smith, so in the end I have capitulated as gracefully as possible.

What in hell they want to do it for I can't see. Miss Mellen says Holzinger refused P.D.Q. I know that he is persnickerty, and, a contrary

as Job's off mule, so I guess there's no stink in the air. All the other officers of this last year are going in again next. Consequently yours truly, will buy a larger hat and join the procession. By the new rules, I believe, nomination is equivalent to election. Here's how!

Well, I have no further excuse for writing. All well here. Have a desk lamp bought after your ideas and it's a dandy. Mother expects to go to Bristol on Nov 1 for a month's or 3 weeks's visit. Please remember me to all the folks.

As usual

E.B.C.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.
Nov 14. 1904.

Dear Collins:

I have been intending for some days to write you, but various things have caused me to put it off. To tell the truth this is in some way a begging letter and I don't like such things.

You have doubtless seen from Bryologist reports, that the chapter is to have at Phila. a meeting in which a display of herbarium material is to be made. Will it be too much for me to ask, if you cannot send us a few of the stunning Vaspi plants, such as the Splachnum, the Paludella etc. If you will I know we shall all be much pleased. By "we" I mean Miss Millen & I who have the job of getting the chapter herbarium in shape. I plan to loan a few of my best appearing sheets, to help the cause along. The idea is to have the plants displayed by mounting on cardboard, w in pockets. If you can & dare, & have the time to arrange, I will gladly do the mounting

and arranging offplants, if you will send them, I don't advise sending very rare or valuable things (on the Q.T.) but such things as will make good showing will be the best. Let me hear what you think anyhow, and I will see Miss Miller.

That's a good one on W.W.B. and the cotyledon. I confess that I thought Sachs figured the absorptive organ as representing the cotyledon, but fortunately for W.W.B., he's wrong.

I believe I wrote you that a week ago Sunday, when up river, I secured some fabjous Ricciaes, as well as Ephemerum & possibly Acaulon. I also have from Va, coll Mason, Mnium stellare Reich, & Anomodon minor Fuernr. For a time also I thought I had Lesbea nervosa c.fr. but of better capsules from it only Amblystegium varium, which is scandly common hereabouts. We are having for here some very unseasonable weather, and everyone is bundled

up in consequence. — Regarding the way I have arranged mosses, I use the Engler & Prantl genera strictly even to generic segregations, but the species are kept somewhat alphabetical. In fact the species havn't any general system. But when I have to use 2 or 3 covers for a genus I keep the subgeneral of E & P wherever possible. For example I have split up the old Bryum, Gymnostomum, Didymodon &c exactly according to E & P. in spite of the fact that lots of people do not follow them. Species are given so fully therein, that its perfectly easy to find out where a given plant belongs, if one hunts a little for it.

Well, its bed time and I must close this up. Please remember me to all the folks. Mother is in Bristol now, to remain until after Thanksgiving so if you-all don't hear from her you will know the reason.

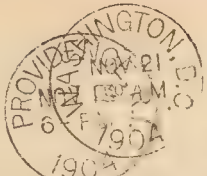
As usual,

E B C.

Dear J.H.C.:

I have written Miss Mulin for information regarding such of your enquiries about the Mors exhibit as I do not know, and I think you will receive a note from her. Anyhow I'll write you myself in a day or two, when I hear from her. All as usual here. Have just got a lot of *Aphanorhegma serratum*, Sec, Want a lot?

As usual
E.B.L. 11/20/04.



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St.,
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1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.
Nov 23, 1904.

Dear Collins:

By this time I suppose you have already heard from Miss Miller regarding the Philadelphia exhibit, as I today received a note from her saying that she had written to you. The requirement for standard size herbarium sheets does not I think preclude the mounting of more than one specimen on a sheet, and I shall go on that idea, even to the extent of putting different species of the same genus on one sheet. I shall stamp all of mine plainly "Herb EBC" — and have a rubber stamp, similar to the Gray Herb. stamp for the purpose. I shall also request the return of all specimens.

I think that I shall send in about 20 sheets, probably less, as I aim to make a showing in quality not quantity, and moreover I shan't exhibit any very rare or valuable things, most of them my own collecting.

School is over until Monday, and I hope to get the time to do some odds and ends of work, which I

have neglected sadly, done in shape. This will of course reach you after Thanksgiving so all I can wish is that you have had a pleasant time, and that you have suffered no unpleasant after effects. I expect to eat my Thanksgiving dinner in this boardinghouse, unless I treat myself to a downtown meal. Mother is in Bristol at Cousin Henry Chamberlain's and is enjoying herself hugely. She will be away from Cumberland until probably the 15th of December, so it will break up the fall nicely for her.

Well the clock has just struck twelve, and 'tis Thanksgiving morning. Here's how! may you be over jolly & thankful. May you have much to be thankful for. — Please give my kind regards to all the folks

Affectionately
E.B.C.

You can use your regular 1/4 size mounting paper, then attach 4 of them to standard sheet, for the Phila Exhibit, that's what I have to do & Miss Miller says OK. Idea like this.

Cordially,
E.B.C. 11/25/04.

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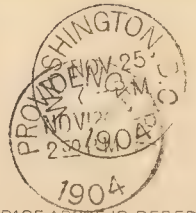

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Mr J Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence R.I.

Cumberland Center Me Dec 22/04

Dear J.F.C.,

I had hoped to send you yesterday afternoon from Washington a package containing some Christmas turkey. But I was kept in school until nearly ~~two~~ o'clock, and then when I did get home I had to scrabble togeth things packed & start for home. So I carefully put your slices of turkey on ice, and find it even now in good condition. I trust that you will properly honor the contents of this package which I send herewith. and also excuse the appearance of this scribble, as I have just got home.

We are all well, and I am going to write you again in a day or two. Both Mother and myself send to you and all at 468 Hope St, as well as Mr & Mrs. Jenks, our Christmas greeting, and best wishes. May you have a pleasant joyful time, and may it prove phrophetic of the coming year.

If the pest of them are real good I think you can let them peep at the inside of your turkey.

As usual

Edward G. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.
Jan. 2. 1905.

Dear Collins:

I suspect that in the rush of vacation matters I left some letters unanswered, and so neglected to thank you for your kind invitation at the end of said vacation. However, it was impossible for me to ~~attend~~ accept it, as I had to remain in Cumberland up to Saturday morning, and so I was allowed no chance for stopping off en route.

You must have had a fine time at Harvard during the vacation, altho I should suspect that it might have been rather hard travelling a few of the mornings. Say Tuesday and Wednesday after Christmas. That Tuesday night I drove 12 miles in an open team, so I can appreciate just how you felt. Well, now I'm back here again, for six months this time, and expect to have all the work that I can do during that time.

During vacation I packed up bundles of duplicates for Knowlton, D. Fellows, Miss Eaton & Bissell, and in addition sent big bundles to E.L. Morris, Painter (a friend of mine in the Museum) and the Museum itself. So now my duplicate collection amounts to about 50 sheets only. I'm glad to get rid of the stuff. Besides all that, which is no small job, there were about 400 labels to write, I managed to eat four meals a day, make lots of calls, do some snowshoeing, and join a Masonic Lodge. Think I did fairly well for 9 days, don't you? Incidentally I am now experiencing the

after effects of the four meals a day coupled with lack of sleep and railroad travel.

Nothing is going on here particularly, except very mild and springlike weather, quite a change for me. The house is the same as ever, and I am trying to get my duds straightened away for the winter.

I hope Mrs. Jenkins is by this time in good health, and feeling like herself. But I'm more than glad to hear that George's eyes are in such good shape; it will seem mighty good to him to have the use of them again.

Wish I could attend Gaspé night at the Club. It's one of the cases where distance fails to lend much enchantment to the view.

I enclose some mosses for you, as well as a separate of the last Rhodora article of mine. What do you think of publishing a list of the mosses collected around Cumberland? I will send you one soon, and let you see what you think of the plan.

I intend to publish in the next Bryologist a list of mosses from Plummer's Island near here, which contain a few good things.

Well, tis all I can write now. Please remember me to all.

As usual

E.B.C.

Please take a peek at the Aphanorthegma and see if it is OK.

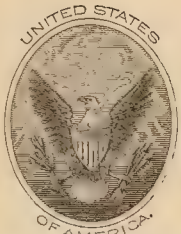
Dear J.C.,

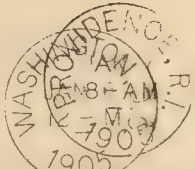
1836 Jeff. St. N.W.C. 1/5/05

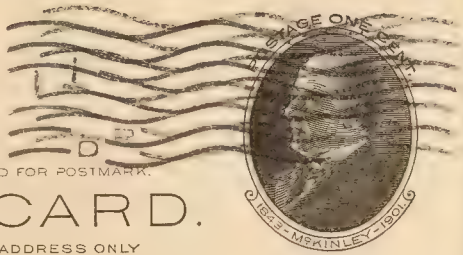
It is just my opinion, that yours press in your last letter. In all plants of 2310 which I examined a clearly marked line could be found at the middle of the capsule, where the cells became less strongly collenchymatous, and where the color changed. Along this line mature or nearly mature capsules split under pressure. The plant agrees perfectly with that distributed by Miss Miller in the Bull. Chap. offering as Aphanon, acer. and so this was the only thing I had to confirm. The line between the species is very closely drawn, almost too closely it seems to me, but Brotherus in E & P. keeps them separate species. I will look up Lindp & Dom. Bull in a day or two. I shall probably go over the whole thing again & then send to Best for his advice.

As usual,

E.B.S.







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468 Hope St.,
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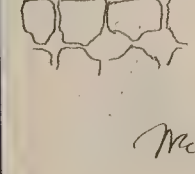
1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D. C.,
January 11, 1905.

Dear Collins:

Your moss from Quebec at hand. This evening I have been over it carefully, and have come to the following conclusion. It is Hypnum ostylium because of the 3-sided stem, and the long-beaked operculum. None of my plants show the peculiar persistence of operculum attached to columella, as in most cases they are too young. They dont as a rule take on this ▽ shape when dry either. But the 3 sided stem with no central strand is good evidence. It is also H curvirostre sure enough, but further than that I'm not willing to go. I think it not typical, but nearer the type than the variety. The stem is not papillose that I can see; the leaves are rather large, and the upper cells are not rund-quadratisch, but rather rectangular. Moreover the leaves are but weakly papillose. The upper cells of the variety in Holzinger's Mosses of Minnesota #2 (you have it in your herb, gave me a duplicate), has the upper cells more like this , while your moss is . Still Roth puts in the broad statement "Äudert mehrfach ab." and Limpricht says, "Zahlreiche Formen verbinden den

hier unterschiedenen drei ~~Fo~~ Typen.' [i.e. H. cumiratin, and vars peculium & cataractacum.] I shall study this out further as I get time. I think I have the var y of Smith from England.

Regarding Aphanorrhegma; I found while mounting my British mosses, specimens of Physcomitrella patens, coll. Ashley Cheshire, by Geo. E. Hunt in 1868. I have dissected these out, find them to agree pretty well with Mrs. Britton's plates in the Torrey Bulletin. As Aphanor- does not occur in England there is small chance of error here, & moreover the specimens agree well with descriptions. The only copy of Smith in the city is at the binder's so I can't consult it now. My Hedwigia notes are from a manuscript copy I made of Smith's, 20 3yrs ago. My plant is not Physcomitrella, for it lacks the peculiar apiculars of enlarged cells at the apex of the capsule. The tissue of the capsule wall is thicker, ~~ch~~ collenchymatous, & colored, the capsule is nearer globose, & decidedly stegocarpous; Indeed its more so than Sullivant allows it to be. Here is a rough sketch of the capsule wall at middle



Then the leaves are slightly different. I want to work more on it, make more sketches, and get Best's opinion.

Well, I must go to bed. Regards to all,

E. B. C.

Hope you can make out all the interlinear additions.

Dear Collins:

What can you tell me about the ranges of *Arronodon minor* Fuerer, and *Mniium stellare* Reich. in Virginia, or the vicinity of the District of Columbia. I hope to send in a note to the Biologists upon the genus, and if so I want the ranges exactly correct. For the former I have only Sel. Wood. Flora of Washington & vicinity, which is largely a matter of compilation, & rather useless. Any information will be greatly appreciated.

Ever yours

E. B. Chamberlain

1330 Jefferson Pl.

16 Jan. 05.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Jany. 23/05.

Dear Collins:

The president of the Sullivant chapter begs leave to submit the following report concerning Moss no. 3604. sent in by you for determination. under the name of Hymenostylium curvirostrum scabrum Limb.

I have compared your moss with Holzinger: Musc. Bor Am. Boreali. # 29d. and with Holzinger: Mosses of Minnesota # 2. (your number x 265). It is very much less papillose than # 29d. and fails to have the papillae on the stem as far in as I can see. The cells are ~~more~~ less elongate in the upper third of the leaf in the Holzinger specimens. being pretty nearly quadrate, opaque, and with 2-3 pronounced papillae on each cell surface. The edge is very

papillose, especially in 29 d. giving it a curious crenate appearance. No 2. is nearer your specimen, tho quite distinct. On the whole it seems better, as I wrote before, to consider ~~#~~ 300 t as a form of A. curvirostre, rather than of the variety scabrum.

All going on as usual here with but little fuss and bother. I hope the above will be of help to you. Perhaps you have both type and variety in the collection. Let me know sometime what you think of it. Regards to all of you.

As usual.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place
25 Jan. 05.

Dear Collins:

We are just coming out of a genuine BLIZZARD, and I have been indoors all the evening: and I have improved the chance to get out a moss which Mrs. Chase sent me some time back.

It seems to be Hypnum cuvirostrum, and I send you a bit, as perhaps being of help in the matter of 3604. It agrees with Roth's description very well. Tho I never have been able to make out the "dreikantige Stengel" to my complete satisfaction; some of the sections of your specimen were roughly so, and one of Mrs. Chase's moss was inclined that way. I reckon it needs embedding to show it well. Her moss tho has no central strand, is big, has a long rostrate operen-

but persistent on columella (most capsules too young.) elongate cells at mouth, no peristome, rectangular leaf cells mainly, and, acute leaves (see figures in Roth Lfg. 2). So I feel very confident of the correctness.

It's millions of degrees colder than Hell here, and blowing a gale, so its damned uncomfortable living, as these houses are regular sieves for the wind. I suppose that you have had a taste of the same storm, but probably are better prepared for it. With a little more snow we could give the North west points on blizzards.

Thanks for the notes on Mnium and Leucomodon they will be duly used.

Regards to all.

E.B.C.

Pasa. Jan 26. 1905

Dear Chamberlain:

~~Living~~ I have just seen all over the ~~Hypanostylum~~ Hypanostylum question again so far as specimens in my herb. are concerned. In brief, I have decided ~~that~~ my 3604 is probably not vera. Scalaris ~~[illegible]~~ although much of it varies strongly towards ~~[illegible]~~ it, except that the stem seems to be (unusually) smooth. This is just as I guessed it in the first place. Then I examined specs #216 from Winslow, Ariz. and Holzinger, Mus. Bacc. #29 b (these were chosen at random) and found the stem smooth in both! These specimens did not coincide with description in Gray's, and on my uncertainty in regard to it I formed to you. To day I have spent considerable time ~~[illegible]~~ examining everything in sight, especially in regard to stem and vascular characters.

The result in brief is as follows. Spec. #216 (Coy X1585) showed ~~[illegible]~~ a stem with a very few papillae & the which were entirely smooth. In Holz. Mus. Bacc. #29 b I am still unable to find a single papillose stem.

~~These~~ other Holz. specimens showed slightly papillose stems. I I saw ~~[illegible]~~ only one which was clearly papillose I

labeled "Gym. caninus". (and ~~labeled~~ var.)

A specimen of Rev. Cand. showed slightly petaloid stem and (generally) quadrate upper anastomosis.

In nearly all the specimens the upper anastomosis seems to vary, just as Dipon says "Alveoli [illegible] elliptical & not quadrate [illegible] to them". He is perfectly correct in saying what he does (etc.) in regard to intermediate forms. In two stems of num 3604 I found the upper bones short & broad with quadrate, strongly petaloid & opaque anastomosis while the lower bones of same stem were longer and narrower with transparent & practically rectangular anastomosis. The stem was smooth throughout, however, so far as I could see. In Hdy, Mass of Gym. #2 I found the only strongly petaloid stem which I have seen to day. My specimen is somewhat different from what you made it.

If I should examine your 216 from Hartford tomorrow I should not be much surprised if every stem I looked at was very petaloid, this last remark will probably carry, indirectly, my opinion of the whole matter.

Now, it seems to me the most reasonable solution of the whole matter is this: — Hypnum gyrum cuspidat

is an extremely variable species and one of its extremes is known as P. Scutrum, with almost every conceivable intergrading form connecting them. Indeed, today I have seen enough of the intergrading forms to almost prove the ~~[illegible]~~ conjunction.

But this may [illegible] of course [illegible] in view of the [illegible] statement of facts.

If you have any more evidence (circumstantial or otherwise) for or "again" now is the time to bring it forth while the matter is fresh on our minds. ~~Today~~ I have decided (temporarily at least?!) that the pupillar stem is perhaps the best one character, and that the pupillar nerve, spreading of lenses & even arcolation (?) shape of lenses, & [illegible] of stems are features of secondary importance. Next time I look over the specimens I may decide otherwise — damn it anyway.

I believe lots of different forms may be found in almost any ~~[illegible]~~ habitat — one fact I have ~~[illegible]~~ that such is sometimes the case ~~today the least~~.

Cordially,

J. T. C.

BROWN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

W. WHITMAN BAILEY
6 CUSHING STREET

J. FRANKLIN COLLINS
468 HOPE STREET

PROVIDENCE, R. I., U. S. A., 26 Jan. 1905

Dear Chamberlain: I have just been over the Hymenostylium question again, so far as specimens in my herb. are concerned. In brief, I have decided my #3604 is probably not var. scalbrum although much of it varies strongly towards it, except that the stem seems invariably to be smooth. This is just as I made it a month ago. At that time I examined your #216 from Winslow, Me, and also Holzinger's Am. Acrocarp. #29b (these were chosen at random) and found the stem smooth in both! This, however, did not coincide with description in Limpr. & Dix. and in my uncertainty I forwarded it to you for your opinion. Today I have spent considerable time examining everything in sight, especially in regard to stem surface & areolation characters & result in brief as follows: Your #216 (my X 1585) shows a stem slightly papillose & two that were smooth. In Holz. #29b I am still unable to find a single papillose stem. Three other Holz. specimens show slightly papillose stems

I saw only one that I should care to call densely papillose. A specimen labeled "Sphagnum cuspidatum" (not NCU) of Ren. & Card. shows slig. papillose stems! and (generally) quadrate upper areolation

In nearly all specimens of mine (of var. scabrum) the upper areolation seems very just as Warnst. says "above rectangular, elliptical and subquadrate." Indeed, I have seen all of these shapes in a single leaf. I think, too, he is perfectly correct in saying what he does (footnote in Handb.) in regard to intermediate forms. On two stems of my 3604 I found (today) the upper leaves short and broad, with quadrate strongly papillose and opaque areolation while the lower leaves of same stem were longer and narrow with transparent and practically smooth rectangular areolation. The stem was smooth throughout, however, so far as I could see. In Holz. Moss of Minn. #2 I found the only strongly papillose stem I have seen. This I suspect is somewhat from what you made it.

If I should examine your #216 tomorrow I should not be surprised if every stem I looked at was papillose. This last remark will probably convey, indirectly, my opinion

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of the whole matter.

Now, it seems to me the most reasonable solution of the whole matter is this; Hymenophyllum environense is an extremely variable species and one of its extremes is known as var. scabrum with every conceivable ~~[illegible]~~ intergrading form connecting the two. Indeed, today, I have seen enough of these intergrading forms to almost prove this supposition.

I have decided (temporarily at least) that the papillose stem is perhaps the best one character and that the papillose nerve, spreading of the leaves and even areolation (?) as well as shape of leaves and size of spores are likely to be of secondary importance.

Next time I look over the specimen I may decide otherwise — darn it anyway!

I believe lots of different forms may be found in the same tuft — in fact I have seen today that such is sometimes the case

What do you think of the whole matter in view of the included statement of facts?

If you have any more evidence - circumstantial or otherwise - "for or against" - now is the time to bring it forth while the matter is fresh in our minds.

Regular blizzard here yesterday and very cold today. Edie improving and the rest as well as usual.

Cordially, J F E

I have a great many employees of 30 or 40 and later when I discovered just how I must be fooled with I may send you a pretty bill for your services

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Feby 13, 05

Dear Collins:

There isn't any news to write from here. but I wish to notify you that without asking your permission definitely, but trusting in what you have previously said, I have used your name as a reference in an application to a teachers agency. as a person with whom I had taught. You can now damn me with faint praise, or openly just as you chose. I plan to leave here if I can get a better job next year, If not, I will stay in the same old hunting grounds. as last and this year.

I believe I havn't written you that

Dr. Best pronounced the Aphanorhegma as correctly named, also adding that he was of the opinion that Physcomitrella patens, Aphan. serrata, & Physcomitrium immersum all represented forms of the same species. He very kindly forwarded to me specimens of the two latter species, but as yet I have not had the time to examine them.

I have had a few mosses, collected by Prof Piper in Alaska, handed to me for naming. I have had time as yet only to glance at them, but one contains a good lot of Ulota Burolagi. Mitt. a new thing for me. I expect that part of the rest represents U. crispa or some form of it, possibly the new thing described in the papers of

the Harriman expedition.

There just carried H. D. House 13 sheets of Viola, mostly unnamed, which he is to study over. Perhaps new species will result therefrom, tho I hope not.

It is so damnd cold here that there is no pleasure in doing anything beyond huddling over a register or carrying a radiator in one's pocket. I do hope that this continued cold weather will let up finally.

Well, I have several more letters to write, and then some mosses to look over for Ed Morris. Regards to all

Sincerely,

E. B. C.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington—
Feby 20. 1905.

Dear Collins:

While going over some mosses which I am mounting in the National Museum, I came across the following which may interest you, on account of the trouble which you had with your moss #3074, as to whether it was Fissidens pusillus or F. minutulus.

The note is on the label of Fissidens pusillus brevifolius. Card & Ther. n. var. issued in C. F. Bakers. Bryophytes of the Pacific Slope, and, is as follows. (Description of the variety) "Differe du type! dont je ne puis pas distinguer le. F. minutulus, (Sullv.,) par ses feuilles beaucoup plus ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ beaucoup plus courtes, plus brevement acuminées, et par son habitat sur la terre et non sur les rochers." Here then seems

to be little if any difference between I. fusiliers Wels. & I. Grenadiers Guell.

Nothing special going on here, except preparations for inauguration. Which will be a big crush and jam with probably Devilish weather. Perfect light a good chance to see the parade, but that's about all. as it is all one's life is worth in the crush in front of the capital.

Well. hope you are all in good shape and able to be out. Please remember me to all.

As usual —

E.B.

Dear J.H.C.

Thanks for the reprints which were safely received today. Nothing new going on under the sun here whatsoever.

As usual
E.B.C.

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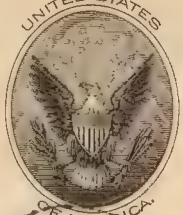

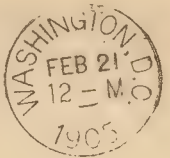

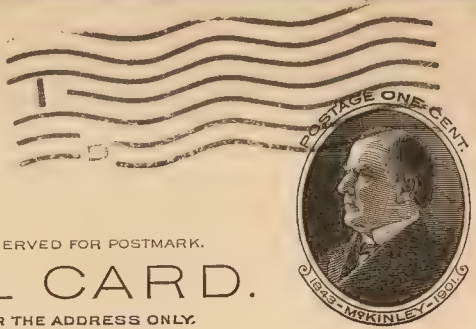

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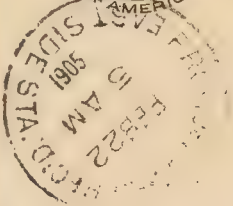

Mr. J. Franklin Collins,
468 Hope St
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1830 Jefferson Place,
Feby 25. 1905

Dear Collins:

Well I have about the same idea as you of Hymenostylium curvirostrum scabrum. The Minslow specimens were submitted to Holzinger first who wrote that they were "not exactly the var scabrum," but that they agreed with specimens from Steinwedel coll. ~~Borilicu~~ Sclowacki. So he let em go. Then I sent it to Husnot he says "Votre G. curvirostrum me paraît être la var. scabrum de Lindberg (Musci Scandinavici no 22)" I enclose the Holzinger postal for your inspection.

To speak the absolute truth I have never found a stem more than remotely papillose: now & then a faint show of papillae: so it depends upon what interpretation you put upon Limpricht's "stengel auch papillen mehr oder minder rauch." The only way to settle it is to see Lindberg's Musci Scand. no 22. which I think is not accessible here. When I get through the work at the museum if you will spring me up, I will go through the material there, among which I think is stuff from Lindberg, and see what's to be done.

But I don't expect freedom at the museum before the middle of April. The stem surface is unknown to examinine in those things anyhow.

Regarding methods of mounting I am using Dennison Labels. in the same way boys use stamp hinges. It is convenient, expeditious and I think secure, if you moisten the gum well. Then I use standard sized sheets, with a space at lower ~~left~~ right hand corner, where eventually a label will go, giving name & by Taylor & Brandt, with genus number & family number in the same, and room for synonyms, if wanted. I plan eventually to make geographical separation in sheets, say Maine, New England, East, South, West, Canada, Foreign, but I haven't mosses enough at present for more than Maine.

I think the gummed label plan is superior to pins.

The museum method is on the log. I follow it because I am not boys. They use a flap envelope (Gray Herb. pattern) instead of the "mycologists" & glue to the sheet. Lots of advice, cost per sheet in lower r. h. corner, name of moss, followed by the geographical division. (N. E. S. C. W. Eur. As. Pac &c). Foreign i.e. south of Mexico, Europe Asia &c in red ink, others in black. Genera arranged alphabetically regardless of families. They must have 50000 specimens. & have just rec'd the J. Donnell Smith mosses

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the Langlois collections. They also have the Stokes, Beck, Miles, Moses, J G Baker [Kew] private collections with sticks from Lumbricks, Schimper, Greek, Leudet Brothers, Ule, C Müller, etc - - - There is no regular curator, and things are only beginning to be accessible. Here it not Government work, I would like the job; but I'll be contractingly stunned if I take it as it is, & I think I could peel it if I wanted: For instance, I went down there yesterday to mount mosses, no mounting paper being on hand, I asked the boy to get me some. He said "there wasn't none." I kicked to Dr. Rose, he said he ordered 4 reams shortly before. Result of investigation showed that of those reams, 1 had been used 1 by other mounters, & the 2 remaining had been cut up into card cat. cards, by Miss ~~Vasey~~ Vasey, who is supposed the Dr.'s private sec. She can't typewrite & teh shat hand, but hands on being Gd ~~Vasey~~ Vasey's daughter. She is a god-forsaken, ossified old stiff, who ought to be roasting; thinks she can stick her thumb into everybodies pie. Shes a fabjous assification of uselessness. To resume; No paper being forthcoming. Asked Dr. Rose when he comes

get some. Well it will be 2 weeks, before the Government can secure 1 ream of paper! Meanwhile I have to spend my time assorting & rearranging unmounted mosses. It had to be done, so the time isn't altogether wasted, but I shall have to go over a lot of things again; just by that female mule's carelessness.

The National Museum won't for me in these clothes, not by several meters.

Guess I will impress upon with the fact that I'm hot. which is strictly & solely true. Ed. Morris was down ~~the other~~ Saturday while I was at the museum. He has a few grievances of his own, so we combined forces, & in a 15 minute lay off cussed the whole outfit, root & branch, & roughly & pointedly.

Without conceit, tho, I think that my postal training in Maine enabled me to do a more finished job.

I have just read the above, & conclude that instead of methods of mounting mosses this is mostly a screed upon vices in Official Life. but it's the dead truth on the level.

But I reckon I have said enough incidentally on mounting to let you know what I

Ditichum lutescens → Dicranum A 22.

mean: if not this → will give the idea. Its very easy to remove & place elsewhere if you have occasion to do so. Write more if you don't understand.

By the way the moss listed on p 13 of July Bryologist as Funaria hygrometrica lutea. should be var patula. fide Holzinger, to whom I wrote. Rapp wrote H. that he (R.) made a mistake, or that somebody did. If Rapp couldn't read Holzinger's writing, or Miss Millen couldn't read Rapp's, the thing is explained. Both write horribly, nearly as bad as I do tonight.

Today I have been at work upon a plant from Mrs Vs. Hypnum chrysophyllum. Last week I went over some specimens from Macoun for Morris. Among them was Ditichum tortile labelled Dicranum flagellare, Dicr. Boryeani labelled D. fragilifolium & similar errors. all of which makes life pleasing. & 'macoun's work more unreliable than before.

Well I must close this & write some other letters. Sorry your mother has been sick, & hope she is O.K. again now. Let me know how the world goes on in Providence & Dwies

keep tab for this berg. Please remember me kindly to all,

Usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

BROWN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

W. WHITMAN BAILEY
6 CUSHING STREET

J. FRANKLIN COLLINS
468 HOPE STREET

Not sent

PROVIDENCE, R. I., U. S. A., 10 Mar 1905

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter of the 25th ult. was duly received and promptly lost for a week or more. I finally found it amongst some more envelopes. Probably I picked it up along with them.

Your remarks about Macoun's mosses reminds me of a similar experience in regard to an examination of Macoun's own material of Hyp. Richardsonii a few years ago (1902) He sent me the authentic (!)(?) material named by Kindberg — all labeled H. Richardsonii. also other specimens. Of these, Richardsonii specimen mentioned on p. 246 of Pt. 6. Macoun's Catalogue is O.K. as well as the McKay's Lake specimen. The P. E. I. specimen was H. cuspidatum. The N. Wakefield, Que. specimen mentioned in Part VII. p 316 is O.K. but the H. Chino specimen was H. gigantenum. Macoun sent me several Eur. specimen also, among which was one collected by Kindberg

in Norway which was undoubtedly H-Gagnebin.
I wrote to Macrum about it and he admitted that he thought I was perfectly right about the matter but begged me to say nothing about it as he did not want Mrs. Britton to get hold of it, for obvious reasons.

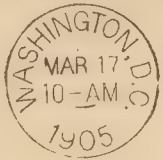
Dear J.H.:

The moose with card came today all right and there is but little that can be said except to find the best word of praise. Paludosa, Hypnum & confoides & Splachnum are the best I have ever seen. "Heuks awfully." I spent last Sunday on Ulota. U. Bruchii mostly from Alaska. It was just scraps sent me by C.V.P. fer. but they are mighty interesting. When I get a breathing space after this week I will write a letter. My best regards to all.

As usual,

E.B.L.

830 Jefferson Place. Mch 16, 1905.



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.
468 Hope Street.
Providence. R. I.

1830 Jefferson St. Washington, D.C.,
March 19. 1905.

Dear Collins:

I have an attack of "spring fever" today and consequently feel too lazy to do any real work on the moses. Therefore I shall try instead to get some letters written. Some of them are pretty badly in arrears too. Thanks very much for the moses which you sent me. I am much pleased, & I certainly have it on the books to send you parts of the good things which I have from the museum. Some of them will easily divide. But at present I have too much on the carpet to do anything of the kind. By the Easter vacation I hope to be all done with my present job at the Museum and in condition to get my own affairs in shape. Have you seen or purchased Grout's 2d edition of Mosses w. Hand lens? I am rather doubtful about getting it, I think that I can invest the money to better advantage elsewhere. I have Preston on the watch to get for me a copy of the Icones w. Supplement, and that will take all my spare cash at present. I am also strongly of the opinion that I need ~~not~~ the Torrey Bull. from 1890-97 badly. (I have it since then). I have a complete set now of the Revue Bryologique. Please let me know your ideas regarding the Torr Bull. & also what I ought to pay for the Icones & Supp. This may seem

a mighty dull letter, but as I remarked, I am absolutely too tired to write much even in [illegible], and in spite of all this there are dozens of things clamoring for attention.

Please remember me to all the Providence folks.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D. C.,
March 26/05

Dear Collins:

Miss Miller wrote me last week about the distinguishing points of Pogonatum contortum Lesq. v. P. erythrodontium Kindb. Looking the matter up, I found that Barnes & Heald say capsule smooth for P. contortum (p 222) and papillose for P. erythrodontium. So far so good. Then I looked up the figure of P. contortum which is given in the Icones Suppl tab. 42. But there the capsule is plainly figured as papillose. I can find no description of the moss which mentions the surface of the capsule. This week I shall look up the original description in Trans. Linn Soc. IV 78. and see what that says. There is here no copy of Schwaegr. Suppl to Hedw. Sp. Musci. So will you when you have time take a look at description and figure and see what is said about the capsule &c. If it isn't too much bother, just copy the description. I suspect strongly that the plant of Kindberg is

only P. contortum under a new name. His description in Mac-Cat. badly jumbled in some places, is not enough to show any distinctive points.

Nothing much doing here. Today I have been busy over some mosses sent me for verification by Miss Miller. They were Amblystegium varium, A. Kochii. & Pohlia Lescuriana. The latter is a good thing, sent in by Mr. Cresson from Swarthmore, Penna. Well, only four weeks more school 'till vacation, then five weeks after vacation and the end of things for good, as far as the term goes. I shall have tutoring work until the 25th of June.

By the way have I written you that I shall be here again next year? I got a raise of $100, so I decided to let the seeking for a change wait until next year. That's to be the last however. Then to New England for me, if I can manage it, with perhaps a rest for a while. I should

very much like a year's rest, but it can't come yet ~~that's~~ sure. How are you all getting along now? It must be almost vacation time. I had thought to go home at ~~Christ~~ Easter, as it comes so late, but I must give it up; it's too blamed expensive, and I can't travel by boat in that short time. Mother has a cousin boarding with her now for the mud season, and is full of gardening plans. She has a lot of seeds started, and hopes for a good flower garden as well as a vegetable one. It's a pretty dry country for flowers tho there.

Well, I have a lot more letters which ought to be written but I'm feeling almost too sleepy to do much. Regards to all,

Sincerely yours
Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
April 5, 1905.

Dear Collins:

The Lfg. 220, 221, 222. of Engler & Prantl have just come. I will let you know your share of bill as soon as I pay. The Lfg 221 is Lichens, & I shall drop a note to Weigel that I personally don't care for Lichen pacts. Shall I include you also?

What I am writing for principally is to ask you to look at # 453 Canadian Mussi labelled Ulota Bruchii, Coll Macoun, 1889, New Westminster Jct. B.C. ~~Vancouver~~, and see if it consists of a mixture. The specimen I have been examining from Herb. E. L. Morris, is poor, almost sterile. U. intermedia, and Anacamptodon splachnoides! in small quantity but in good fruit. Now the last is not in Mac. Cat. VI. tho I haven't seen his later supplementary list. Please let me know if the mixture is in the B.U. herb. spec-

imens, also if it isn't too great a bother what records you may have of American amphibian from Western British America. Also if you can, let me know where to get the supplementary part of Mac. Cat. which contains nine mosses. I have written to Best about his set.

I have written to Gray Herb. about the Icones & can get it there, so shall do so. Grout's 2d Ed. Musci N. Helv. is just at hand. Don't get it. It isn't valuable enough to be worth its price, tho' good enough, yes excellent for its purpose. You can have my copy to look over if you want.

Well I must go to dinner.

Regards to all. E. B. Chamberlain.

Dear J.H.C.

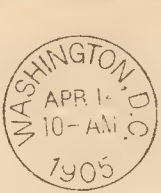
From EDWARD B. CHANDLER, M.D.
1602 Columbia Road, Washington, D.C.

Apr 13, 05

Yours at hand, & thanks for information. I will write Vogel in regard to E & P. at once. That Anacamptodon is I think another one of Maconi's mixtures, or somebody else's blunder. No set of Can Musci that I can get hold of shows anything like the same thing. I cannot tracing it back in the Ambient Laboratorium. By the way, Pog erythrodontium Kindb. = P contortum Lesq. see Cardot: Bull de l'Herb. Boissier VII pp 366-8. Cardot has compared types. So that is settled. All well here. Will write again soon. Regards to all,

As usual

E.B.C.



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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R.I.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
May 16, 1905

Dear Collins.

Have neglected you shamefully, but for once I have an ample excuse. I have had two attacks of "pink eye", the first coming in vacation, the last of April the other last week. So I have used my eyes just as little as possible and all my letters have got behindhand, yours among them. The attacks were neither very severe, the last one keeping me idle only three days. But I'm blamed glad it's over with, and apparently my eyes none the worse.

Thanks for your invitation for a visit. If, as now seems probable, work here ends up June 23d I shall be glad enough to spend a few days in Providence on my way home. Provided of course that the idea is agreeable to all concerned. Ex-

far as I know I shall have but little outside work after the closing of the regular session June 2d.

Personally the work of being president of the mos chapter is very light. Mrs. Smith is really the head of the affair. My work is principally helping out Miss. Miller when she gets stuck on mosses sent in for identification, and that is not often. Considering the means she has at her disposal she does remarkably good work.

Just now I have a few stray things on my hands, ~~that~~ would have been all done had my eyes remained in shape. It's really quite a sinecure aside from the fact ~~that~~ there is no pay attached to it.

My plans for the summer are vague as yet. I shall be down at

Kittery at the Joselyn Soc. meeting, and shall go down to Bristol for a few days visit but the rest of the time I shall be at home. Frankly I am going to be pretty near strapped for funds this summer. Sullivants Icones, & Supplement, Rotis Laubmoose, and various other odd pamphlets I have picked up there. Preston and others have made a considerable item in the question of funds. But they are worth the price.

Now ~~Other~~ I think my desires run to Lindpicht, Laubmoose, Hussot Muscologia and that about all. But more necessary is it that I get down & do some hard grinding on the specimens I have.

By the way could you get me made one of those Glycerine Jelly slide heaters & mounters, such as you once described in

the Bryologist, or at least know the tinkuscher's part of the work done? I am decidedly tired of the hot water bottle method, and there is no tinsmith here whom I could trust to do the work from plans. If I could get the tin compartment part done I can easily make the rest at home myself, write me what you think. You are probably rushed to pieces just now, so don't put in a lot of time you need for other things. I have given up mica for good & all, and shall henceforth use glass mounts, even if they are more bulky. It's so much more satisfactory in the end.

By the way you know you are down for a visit at Cumberland whenever you can arrange it to come.

I have just had the pleasure of becoming a member of the Field Club here, and I enclose a booklet about the same for you. Keep it if you want. Besides that I am in the Biological & the Botanical Club, and find them all very pleasant. The Botanical isn't equal to the New England Club by any means. It is as one would expect mainly structural, physiological & economic in its papers. But it is very pleasant nevertheless.

Well, I have some work to do so must stop. Remember me to all the folks & to W. & B.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
June 7, 1905

Dear Collins:

For the past two weeks I have been so busy that I have not had time to answer your last letter, even tho' I planned to do so right away. Come to Cumberland for July 4th by all means if you can spare the time. We are always glad to see you. And do not bother about that micro-slide jelley heater. I shall make a stab at it myself. I have always done more or less soldering, and have a couple good irons, solder, acid &c. I can get tin in Portland and then tinker away at the affair myself, during the summer. If it doesn't work why there is always a tinsmith to fall back upon.

Glad to hear that you and Fernald are going up for another St. Lawrence trip. Is it Gaspé again this time? or just other parts of the wilderness. If you do

cease "strenuosity" by the 20th of Aug, we shall hope for another visit from you at Cumberland.

I hope to leave this smiling burg on or about Friday June 23d. If I should do so will it be OK, for me to stop off in Providence until Tuesday, the 27th or would you rather that I should go directly through to Cumberland, and then make a longer visit when I come back in the fall. It's all the same to me which ever way things go. Please write just which you prefer.

Things are going on quietly here. School is over and I have now only tutoring from 9-1 in the forenoon. Just at present I am busy afternoons ~~for~~ helping Maxon at the Museum, going over a lot of British mosses, & getting them ready for mounting. They are part of the Baker mosses that I was at work upon last year. There are some good things in it. Today we came across some of Miss Hutchins original specimens of

Wata Hutchinsiae, not so bad. Then there are autograph specimens from Spruce, Hunt, Moden, Wilson, Grevill etc. Some of the names of the localities the are terrifying. Giggleswick. Ingl Da, Buttermere, Wasdale Screes, etc. Yesterday we came across a specimen which was apparently ~~ta~~ labelled "On shed-house roofs" but we compromised by sorting "On roofs"!

Well, I must turn in soon so this must do for the present. Please remember me to all,

As usual,

Edward B. Chance Cockaine

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington D.C.
June 19. 1905.

Dear Collin:

My glad to get your card and letter. I am full of work right up to the handle, and can only write a line at present. I am right glad that you and Fernald are to spend another summer in Gaspé, wish I could be with you, but many things render it impossible. I hope you will be able to stop off in Cumberland July 5th, if only for a few hours. I shall be glad also to know what your address will be at various points during the summer if you can, or to know your general route anyhow. Of course I can always reach you by sending letters to Providence.

I leave for Maine, direct, Friday night the 23d, and shall beat home the greater part of the time until school opens again Sept 27. I shall have to leave for Washington so as to arrive the 25th of Sept. Nothing doing here, it's hot as the devil. Thermometer from 88–93 in the house

most of the time. I shall be very glad to get out of it all, and to a place where I can keep cool, don't have to dress up, and need not work unless I wish to do so.

Well, here's how. Well I remain that I wish you all a pleasant, profitable summer. If you see any of the Brigham people whom I met, please remember me to them. Hereafter send all letters after this to Cumberland Center.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, June 27, 1905

Dear Collins:

Thanks ever so much for your kind account of your trip to the thro Gaspé. I am very sorry that you will not be able to visit us here next Sunday, but, on your own idea this means a visit with accrued interest in the fall. It will be very pleasant for you to go over again the Gaspé route of last year, but I see that your heavy work is to be done at Mt Louis and St Anne des Monts, which are I believe new territory.

I have just returned here, and am busy getting settled for the Summer, and am finding a plenty to do. By the way can you get me a copy of the New Brunswick Gaspé map such as you had last fall, or tell me where to apply for it? I want one and, as I have a lot of Canadian postage, I can easily write for information. All well here, I am rather in a hurry so you must excuse the hasty character of this. Remember me to those of the party I know as usual when you meet them

E B Lambeclaire

Cumberland Center, Maine.
July 2. 1905

Dear Cousin:

Fortunate man, you won't have to undergo the noise and smoke and row of the glorious & immortal Fourth.

Thanks for the word about the maps. I didn't mean that I wanted an immediate reply, but just as you found time to write, and in case you found out from Fernald and the others. In case you find out definitely let me know. There's no hurry whatsoever.

You must have enjoyed that trip up the Austin Stream very much indeed. I have given up hope of some day getting into Somerset Co again, but it won't be for the present anyhow. not until I am at home more of the year. or mother in different circumstances.

Well. I hope you may have a right pleasant summer. Please remember me to Fernald & Williams. They, I believe, are all I know of the party besides yourself.

As ever

G. B. C.

Cumberland Center, Maine

July 16. 1905.

Dear Collins:

You did have all the celebrations you needed on your way up and into Canada. We had a very quiet time here, no serious accidents beyond one small boy who got somewhat entangled with the business end of a Roman candle. He was not seriously damaged. Hurt his feelings more than anything else.

Thanks for the word about the maps. I have written as you directed but have as yet received no reply.

It's been hot as hell here the last week, and no rain for the past fortnight and everything is getting burnt up

Had a slight earthquake shock here the morning of the 15th but hardly enough to wake most people up. I slept thro' the whole thing. Even mother was only dimly conscious of some sort of a racket. You know she sleeps so lightly that she can tell if a cat crosses the yard.

I'm at work, as much as I can, on a lot of mosses from the neighborhood of Washington, making up a catalogue for the Biologists' Field Club. Its slow work at times tho most of the material is common enough.

By the way, Miss Miller the secretary of the Sullivant Chapter, wants me to be sure "and induce my friend

Mr Collins to offer some more in the chapter distributions next year." So do get enough for some of you can. If you will get 'em I'll tend to the clerical work of labelling, sending out &c, or anything else to keep you out.

I am trying to pick up some things here, but I have so many irons in the fire that it's hard work to keep 'em all going.

Well, remember me to those of the party, I know. Enjoy yourself and see me on your return.

As usual,

E. B.

Cumberland Center, Maine
Aug. 7. 1905.

Dear Collins.

I send this to Ste Anne d. M. on trial hoping that you may get it all right at last. I have been down to Bristol since July 24. and have just returned. Intended to stay there about a week, and made nearly a fortnight visit, principally loafing and reading, with calls on relations & friends, sailing parties &c intermixed.

Found two absolutely new plants there, viz: Camelina sativa and Anagallis arvensis, the latter on Monhegan Island, which I visited for the first time and which would make an interesting place on which to spend a month.

Very little going on here just

at present, as usual for this place one might say. Part of this week I expect to have visiting me Mr. E. L. Morris of Washington, and he will afterwards go with me to the Jocelyn meeting the week of the 14th. I hope that we may have there some real meeting and some good work, unhampered by Lanes that have no turning. Dr. Fred D. Lambert of Tufts College will give a lecture on Tuesday at 8 P.M. on "The Alternation of Generations in Plants." This is the sole public meeting of the society, and we shall doubtless have to pile on dog for all we are worth. Headquarters of the society will be Hotel Champernowne Kittery Point, Maine. Headquarters all over York Co.

Let me hear from you once and know how you are getting along now. I suppose that by this time the party is reduced to Fernald and Collins, without the others. I have written about the maps as you suggested, and have received 2 catalogues containing a list of all publications of the Geological Survey of Canada up to 1903. Very good. They also advised me to the Dept. of Crown Lands.

Well, I will later send you a little news about the Kittery junket. Please, if you can, send me your itinery for August; when you last wrote you were doubtful about it. Kindest regards to Fernald. Martha wishes to be remembered to you also.

Ever and ever yours
Edward F. Chamberlain

Cumberland Center, Maine.
Sept. 4, 1905.

Dear Collins:

I was very glad to get your postal the other day, if for no other reason than to know where to write you. I hoped you would be able to stop off at Cumberland for a few days, but I understand of course how it was. I had intended to write you & M.S.F. a note saying come, but your general mix up on schedule upset all my plans.

You certainly did have a time up on Mt Albert, more so than you planned for I reckon. But you must have secured a good stack of stuff to keep you there for two weeks. Moreover the lists of species which you have given from time to time seems alluring. My only good find this summer is Cephalozia fluitans.

Please let me extend hearty congratulations from mother and myself on what I have just seen in the Bryologist for September. Why didn't you let us know that you had been made assistant prof.? I am mighty glad for you, for you deserved it long ago. Hope you will now feel that you are not absolutely dependant upon Farwell day 50.

I shall be to see you in Providence on or about the 20th of this month, present plans. This however is subject to change without notice. Mother can't come I'm sorry to say; for two reasons. first she is very tired now, and unless she should improve a good deal, she would get played out on the way. Secondly, (and it's important too). There is a lot of work to be done round the house & garden this fall after I go. which requires personal supervision. It's no use to plant, beets, beans, squashes etc. and then go away in the fall just as they are ready to gather. We raise all we need ourself & sometimes more. These things make leaving in the fall rather difficult. We are both in hopes of different conditions during the winter. but can't guarantee anything.

I have just gotten through with the first batch of the mosses from Plummer's Island, and am starting in on the second lot. They are mostly common things, and this first lot, being gathered by "non-moss people" are in all states of immaturity etc. I have about sixty packets of my own to go over this fall besides others that I may find awaiting me when I go south.

Just at present I am making

a case ~~of~~ for the mosses, which can be used both in shipment & as a neb. case. The old one which I built 2 yrs. ago has become too small entirely. This one contains 14. four-inch pigeon holes for standard sheets.

Had a very pleasant time at Kittery in some ways tho rainy weather cut off the most of two days. Mr. J. Huntington there & found him quite pleasant. Really didn't get much in the way of mosses or of flowering plants. Dr Pellows couldn't come the first day so I had to be acting head in the absence of all vice presidents. You are on the committee of arrangements for next year I think, but am not sure. If you are, take an up to Brigham or the Forks. It would be great!

Well. I have a lot more writing to do, and must stop this. Please remember us all to the Collins & Jenches families inclusive.

As usual

C. D. Chamberlain.

Cambridge Center, Mo
Sept. 6. 05.

Dear Collins:

When at the Kittery meeting I made a brief oral report for the committee on Bryophytes. I was asked to put in writing the substance of my remarks. I send to the secretary. Having done so, I first send it to you as chairman of the committee. Add any thing you think of. Please let me know what you think of it. You can send it back to me or forward it to Miss D. H. Moulton, 9 Hill St., Portland, Maine.

All well as usual here. I have been on the go all day, am tired and tomorrow must go on an excursion to Pokeyans. Pity me,

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Sept. 29. 05.

Dear Collins:

I have been very remiss in not before writing you about my safe arrival here but to tell the truth I have scarcely had time to turn around after I arrived.

I had a very pleasant trip down here, the train being on time. Since then I have been busy almost constantly with school work, having been able only to take time for a few urgent calls on near friends. Tomorrow morning I hope to spend at the departments, seeing the folks, while tomorrow night & Sunday Morris & I plan to be at the Soldiers' enjoying & resting ourselves.

Then I shall be able next week to get calls & letters up to

date, — possibly.

School had opened with an unusually large attendance, and promises well. but there has of course been a lot of routine & fuss work to be done this week which has kept me busy.

This some misunderstanding my books & moreover will not get here until the last of next week. I had planned to send them by express thinking that the cost, from what the agent told me, would be only a dollar more than by freight. But it seemed I was mistaken so I sent word for them to be sent by freight instead.

Well, there isn't a lot of news. I enclose reprint for you. Hope Mrs. Jeuches is well recov, give her & her husband my regards. as well as all the rest of the folks.

Ever

E. F. Rumsey.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington D.C.
Oct. 4. 1905.

Dear Collins:

I have intended ever since I came back to comply with your request for a statement of our account regarding the Naturischen Pflanzenfamilien. I enclose it to date, and wish you would verify it, if as carefully as you can. The price per single part is 3 Mk = ±72 cts. but at times the bill has had to go a few cents over or under on account of exchange rates. That is why the price for 2 lfgn. Mar 22. 04 is at the rate of ±77 cts. The account makes you owe me the substant sum of $3.82 as per enclosed bill.

Thanks for your card about my 2689. You have voiced exactly my trouble. I couldn't make it fit anywhere but in Hypnum imponens, following keys, & I couldn't make it agree with any specimens of the latter I had. As soon as my stuff comes from home I plan to root the whole thing out. There is a form of cupressiforme that I was very much a mind to call it. I have H. callichroum for comparison, and various forms &c of cupressiforme also the Natl Museum to draw on. & they have lately purchased a lot of moss books. All well here, with kindest regards & all. Hope Mrs. Jenkins is well now.

Sincerely,
E. B. Chamberlain.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the report, signing it was just what I wanted. I have forwarded it to Miss Moulton who will attend to it.

Now will you cast your eyes over this moss enclosed. I have fussed over it most of the day. There are ♀ flowers on it but no ♂. All are too immature to make much out of. I take it to be Hypnum imponens but the color isn't right and I have found no paraphyllia.

When I come down I will bring along Merrills Maine Catalogue in my grip so you can look it over. Must get this to mail now.

The moss is one of the "perquisites" that go with the Presidential chair.

As usual,

E. B. Chamberlain.

Moss = XLVIII

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1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D.C.,
Oct. 9, 1905.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for the check received today. Send me a receipt for the same in full to date. Nothing doing here of any especial account, outside the usual school work. Glad that Hunting-don proves reliable. Such being the case, I'll not "growl" on the subject to Mrs. Smith. Regards to all,

E B Chamberlain.

$3 $\frac{82}{100}$ Washington, D.C., October 7, 1905

Received of J. Franklin Collins, three and $\frac{82}{100}$ dollars, in full to date of, amount due on purchase of Engler and Prantl Natürliche Pflanzenfamilien.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear J.P.C.

Your mss at hand. Will look at it as soon as I can. The box of books & the plants, which were sent from home Oct 3, have not arrived yet, so I am just marking time at present. Glad to hear Mrs. Fischer is so much better. All well here as usual

E.B.C.

Oct 23, 1905.

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Mr. J. Franklin Collins.

No. 46 Hope St.,

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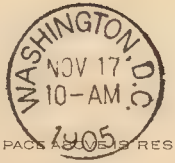
Washington. Nov. 17.

Dear C—

Send the Gaspé map home to Mrs. C, and all will be well. Nothing doing here. I have not yet received my stuff by freight. All my moccas (naud) & the most of my books are in the boxes. I fear I shall not see Ann again soon. Well, I must put up with it I suppose. All well here & busy.

Regards to all,

E. B. C.



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Mr. J. F. Loomis,

8 Hope St,

Providence, R.I.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.,
Dec. 2. 1905.

Dear Collins:

It is so long since I have written you anything more than a postal card that you will begin to think that I have forgotten you completely. That isn't true at all. I've just been busy busy! busy!!. the same as you, I reckon.

In the first place we have 45 pupils in the school this year, as opposed to 32 last, and that makes much more work for me to do, just keeps me on the jump during the day, so that if any outside work is to be done it requires the utilization of all the odd moments. That is not conducive to long letters. Then my Saturdays and Sundays have been taken up primarily with getting out of doors, doing errands, and such like. Whenever possible I have spent the Sunday up the river, at the little Biological Club, of which I have told you. It pays in my feeling more like business all the week, even if I don't get letters written. Then in the spare moments of the

past few weeks I have put my spare time into making up a list of errors to be published with the index to the current number of the Bryologist. Mrs. Smith sent me a most appealing letter on the subject, and out of the goodness of my heart I helped her. It was considerable of a job, as the errors were both numerous and troublesome. Now that and my president's report to the society are off my hands, I can breathe more freely.

But I'm in trouble in other directions. When I left home I had my books and specimens all packed to be sent by express. When I got here, I found a letter from mother to the effect that express was so costly, that she thought I had best send by freight as usual. She was so worked up over it that I wrote to send by freight. Well the darned boxes started Oct 3d and I haven't seen 'em since. I almost fear they are lost. A month ago I started a tracer for them and last week I had a second one started, but so far I have heard nothing from them. So I am all tied up. All my best books, such as Lj. Bot. Roth; Jones,

Engler & Prantl, as well as card catalogues & notes are in the boxes, besides all my named mosses. If they are lost I don't know what I shall do. I shall try to get damages from the railroad, but that's a good deal like butting one's head into a stone wall. I have a lot of mosses on hand awaiting determinations for the Chapter Members, as well as your Dicranum. but I can do nothing. Today I have made mounts of a few of the most urgent cases, and shall try to work them out, by using Miss Miller's books & specimens. But it's rather discouraging work.

Everything goes on well at home; mother is quite well for her, & fairly comfortable; she is of course lonely, but that can't be helped. I shall go home at Christmas time and shall see what can be done to improve conditions. Probably I shan't stop off in Providence on the way back, as I want, if possible, to get a chance to see Mrs.

Smith in Brooklyn. Well, here's hoping I shall be able to write you soon of the arrival of the boxes.

I hope Mrs. Jenkes is all right now, and that all of you are well. I received word from Mother, that the Quebec-Gaspé maps came all right. Thank you for forwarding them.

Remember me pleasantly to all. By the way, do you remember T. E. B. Pope who took botany? He is here in the Fish Commission, and obtrudes his greasy oily visage upon me at the Biological Soc. meetings. I shall have to call upon him sometime soon, I suppose, but I shan't be at all intimate, you can bet. He is not the most agreeable chap I have ever met.

Very truly yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

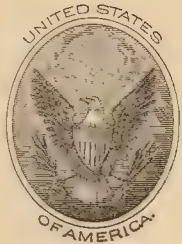
Dear J.B.C.

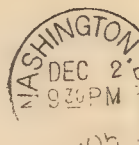
Will you look in Wilson's Bryologia Brit. & see what he says about Hypnum polygamum. If he gives any sketches of leaves, operculum & calyptra, I should like to see tracings of it, isn't too much bother. I have a specimen which I think is that, named with the assistance of somebody else's books, the L & J Man does not clearly distinguish it from H. stellatum. I think the one that precedes it anyhow.

As usual

E.B.C.

Dec 9/5.





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Mr. J. F. Collins,
66 & 68 W. 36th St.
Providence,
R.I.

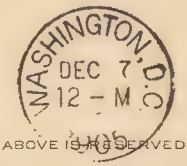
Dear C:

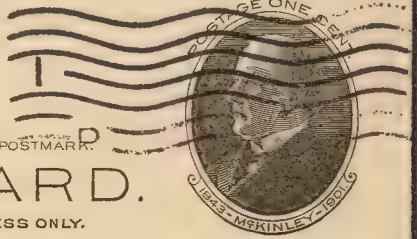
Thanks for the drawings of the Hypna. They were just what I wanted. I have H. polygamum all right. All well here,

as usual,

E.B.L.

Dec 6/05.





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Prof. J. P. Loomis.
Brown University,
Providence,
R.I.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington, D. C.
Dec. 10, 1905.

Dear Collins:

Thanks very much for your kindness in sending on the tracings of the two Hypna. I have H. polyg. all right. My supply of glycerine jelly is running low. The last I got from you in 1899, coming I think from Norman Mason in Providence, will you, please, when you get a chance get some more for me. I don't remember how much he charged, but if not too costly, get a lot of it; enough to last 15 or 20 years, I almost say. The jelly from him is so firm and good that I am anxious to continue its use.

Nothing doing out of the ordinary around this place now, just work and getting ready for Christmas, that's all. My boxes haven't come in yet, and I am writing right and left to gain information. I have two traces out from the Maine Central R.R. and am making vigorous enquiries at this end. So far no results worth mentioning.

I have several mosses on hand to be named but cannot do much of anything until the books come in. I have borrowed a copy of Barnes and Heald, and shall probably borrow L & J Manual from the Museum if things don't brighten soon.

Well, I have a lot more letters to write, and thought am invited out to meet Mr. Shull, who is head of the Carnegie Evolutionary Laboratory at Cold Spring Harbor, L.I. Regards to all of you,

As usual,

E.B.L.

Dear Collins:

I have no Ex-herb labels here, but I send along the enclosed moss for you to keep. I think it is named correctly. It is the one I wrote you for sketches a few days ago, about which I

All well here. I leave for home next Thursday afternoon. Shall write you again in a day or two. Regards & a merry Christmas to all of you.

Ascuwal,

EBC L.

Dec 17, 1905.

Cumberland Center. Dec 22/95

Dear Collins:

I start today a package for you by express. Please deliver the enclosures, which are from, mother and myself, as per the labels enclosed. Mother is herself too tired out to write, personally, I hope that the little calendar will prove as useful an ornament of your desk, as a similar one has of mine. Well, so long I must write a lot more letters but will send you another soon. Christmas greetings from all of us here to you all.

E B Chamberlain

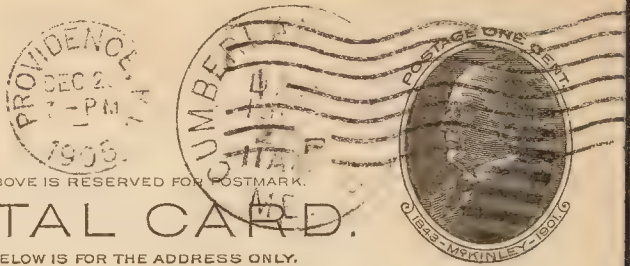
Cumb. Ct. 12/26/05

Dear J.H.C.

Thanks for the note about the Glycerine Jelly. as I go thro Prov. at 1.20 AM Sunday I think it will not be possible for you to hand me it. Do you better send it to me at Washington if you can. and I will forward the cash for the same. All well here. I have put in a kick about my boxes and hope for results. Will write you soon after my return to Washington. Regards & New Years wishes from all of us to you all.

Yours to,

E.B.C.



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Mr. J. P. Collins.
468 Hope St.
Providence,
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Cumberland Center. Maine.

Dec 28. 1905.

Dear Collins:

Yes I did get your card. but the night that I wrote you I had just finished packing up a lot of bundles to go by express. had seven letters to write, I had come on from Washington that day, as well as having made half a dozen calls that afternoon & evening. In consideration of these ~~extenuating~~ circumstances I hope you will pardon my omission of the time of going ~~thru~~ Providence.

I leave here at 5.22 Saturday afternoon, go to Boston, and thence to New York on the sleeper, leaving there at 12 o'clock. I shall take dinner with Mrs Smith in Brooklyn and go on to Washington sometime that night or the next morning. I want to see Mrs Smith, first to see what she is, and then to talk over some matters concerning the most chapter to better advantage than can be done by letter. Hence I rather doubt if you will be able to see me at the Twin, so you better send the package on to Washington.

Regarding paper weight, I havent seen any, so I reckon the one you found isn't a duplicate.

Yesterday I was in Portland and saw the General Freight agent regarding the non-arrival of my boxes. He has promised to take the matter up at once

So I may get the boxes in a month or so. Well, I'll ship by express in the future, or else not ship at all, at all.

Mother sends herewith her regards to all of you and will write next week. Just now, vacation time, is not the best opportunity in which to write letters.

As usual,

Edward R. Chamberlain.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
1880 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.

Jan. 7. 1906.

Dear Collins:

Today, having borrowed books right and left from indulgent friends I have made a stab at determining some of the mosses which I have on hand to name for other people. First comes your specimen 3958a. of October last. I think you are right in calling it Dicranum Groenlandicum Brid. but I have only the BrH description. It seems to me that a moss so close to D. elongatum, externally, but having the pitted cells, that are like this ~~B~~ above can hardly be anything else. I have never seen D. miguelonense, but there is no Dicranum that I have seen, as far as I remember, except this, which simulates D. elongatum so closely, externally. Have you by the way searched the Katahdin elongatum for

possible Groenlandicum?

I must tell you of my good fortune. When in New York last Sunday I saw Mrs. Smith. She said she had a lot of duplicates she couldn't use, and I could have them if I would get them out of her way. I was willing, and Wednesday there came four boxes, each 15x5x36 inches raw, jam full of mosses. I reckon there are 2500 specimens mostly named. There are a stack, 3 boxes, of duplicates from the herbarium of D.C. Burnett. I haven't had time to go over them of course, but I think there are some lovely things in them.

Mrs. Smith herself is a very cordial woman, about 60, a widow and full of life. I haven't seen her enough to form much of an opinion, but I think she will prove very pleasant.

There's no news going on here now. Just the same thing in school and very little spare time. Remember me to the folks. I enclose the Lucy offering.

As usual,

E B Chamberlain.

1830 Jefferson Place,
Washington. D. C.,
Jan 8. 06.

Dear Collins:

The box has come. Thanks ever so much for the contents. The paper weight is a dandy. How did you succeed in doctoring that Photo, so as to make it appear all right? As I remember the negative was rather poor. And your picture, I am ever so much obliged to you for it. It is all right. I think this, the last of my Christmas gifts, the best of all. The jelly is most acceptable too.

The Euchynchium went forward by yesterday's mail, and will be received all right I hope. There's no especial news here, so this must be but a note. Regards to all.

E. B. C.

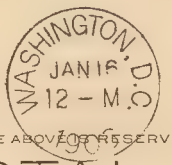
Dear J.H.

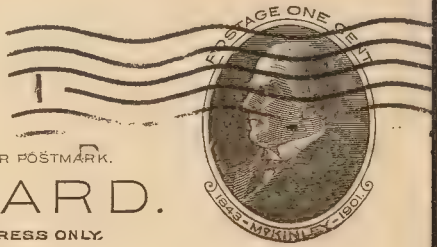
Saturday at the museum I had a chance to examine, outwardly, a specimen of Dicranum groenlandicum collected in Alaska & determined by Cardot, see Harriman Exped. Papers. Outwardly it agrees perfectly with your Mt. Albert plant. I have a specimen on hand in a moss from Mt Pitt of Oregon. I can't even get the genus. Found Grimmia trichophylla among his things.

As usual,

E.B.L.

Jan 15, 1906.





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Prof. J. P. Lewis.
Brown University.
Providence, R.I.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
1899 [illegible] D.C.

Feby 11, 1906

Dear Collins:

Praise the Lord, my boxes have at last come to hand, and, too, so far as I can see from careful examination, nothing is injured in their contents. To be sure, at this rate, I ought to have returned them at once to ensure their arrival in time for June. But, when they do go back, it won't be by slow freight if I can devise any other way of sending them. What do you think about boat, or would the charges be too high? I am going to consult freely with friends concerning that before the boxes start. I now feel in condition to work as much as I can find the time for, and hope to get something done, but a good half of the year has been lost already. I find little spare time this year, and the chapter work absorbs nearly all of that. Still I can peg away on other things after a fashion.

It is proposed to hold a meeting of the mors chapter the last week of this year in connection with the American Association meeting at New York. It will be very pleasant if it can be carried through successfully, even if we don't have much more than a chance to get acquainted. Mrs. Smith is very enthusiastic over the idea, and I shall have considerable to do helping her out, a thing I shall be very glad to do, by the way.

Aren't we having a most remarkable winter? Week before last, pansies were in bloom in various parks here, and there were rumors that Forsythias were out. Now it is colder, but very

dry and clear, an unusual thing for here.

Everything moves on here about as usual, with little to break the usual monotony of work 6 days a week, and try to catch up on Sunday. I am for the present busy at the Museum on Saturdays but shall be done then the first Saturday in March if all goes well. Then I shall have the time to devote to my own work a little more closely.

In Maine too, all goes well, Mother is having a very easy time this winter, and seems to get along very well. The weather has been so mild that she has been able to get out of doors much more than usual.

Well, I am today striving to get at least a short reply to a lot of long-unanswered letters, consequently I must be rather brief in each case. Please remember me to all,

As usual

E.B.C.

Dear J.V.C.

Can you loan me some authentic material of Amblepteginum Kochii Br & for a few days? I am much puzzled over some plants I have from Plummer's Island, which seem to stand either in varium or Kochii. Descriptions at hand are not satisfactory, and the main point seems to lie in the areolation. Br & H key fails utterly, as the lengths of costa is variable. I have no material of Kochii other than Chapin's distributions, mostly named by myself. You will help me out of a deep hole if you can loan a bit. It's too — much bother & red tape to get things from the National Museum.

Annual,

E.B.Ch.

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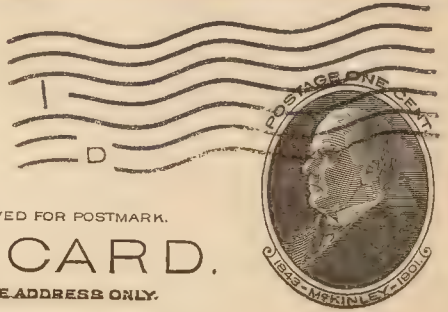

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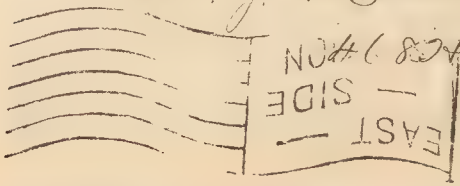


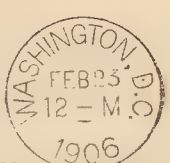
Dear C.

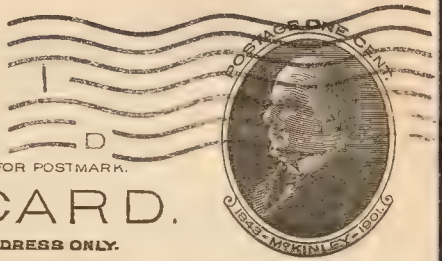
Yours at hand. You have just the same specimens as I have in Amblyst. lockii, so it isn't worth while to send. Today I will start the U.S. Nat. Mus. is moving then I can get the specimens by a week from Sunday. They probably have good named material. By authentic I should mean "named by Chapm. Dixon, Best, Cheney or others" that collector. Not simply so named by Huntington, or Thos. Grout I do not consider an authenticity. Glad to hear of Jos. Bot. Soc. I shall be able to be there, unless mothers eyes cannot be operated on this year.

Yrs &c.

C.

Wash. DC
23/Feb. 06.





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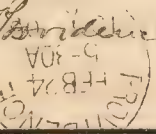

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,

Feby 26. 06.

Dear Collins:

Yours with moss at hand. When I was studying under your direction at Brown, in 1902, spring, you gave me as an examination a moss to determine. That moss was #1845, from Blunders, Apr 29, 1899, the same as the bit enclosed in your letter. At that time I made it out to be Hypnum imponens Hedw., I have some sketches made then and notes also. I will go over them again, and also your last enclosure, sometime this week if I can arrange to do so. Then, if working separately, the two things agree, I reckon we may conclude it is named correctly. No great news here, just the same old routine, which however was pleasantly broken the last week by having Thursday and Friday as holidays. That enabled me to get some mosses named for Dupret, and to make a start upon some Sphagna for Miss Crocket. It is my first essay in Sphagnaceae. What the devil are the "reabsorption furrows" that the Br. H. key is always talking about? I am making mounts of a lot of specimens which I send to Andrews, and hope to elucidate the key with their help. But it is slow work. I have two or three puzzles on hand, two sterile, and the third in the neighborhood of Tortula ruralis. It has serrate white excurrent costae, but is monoicous. Just the devil of a thing. Another, from Dupret, has

the leaves of Hyp. imponens, as to the lower leaf, is like H. reptile in other respects, and is absolutely sterile, save for very young ♂ flowers, so that perichaetial leaves are not to be depended upon. I found after much search Hypnum Kochii in the museum, a specimen from Schimper! and have borrowed some sheets. Now, with the help of books, perhaps I can nail my plant from this region.

I enclose a rarity from Maine, which is I think correctly named. At least I sent Miss Hayes all my material for study. It has been found on Mt. Desert also, fide specimen in Nat. Museum, det. Evans.

Yesterday I took dinner with an old classmate at Bowdoin, and met the young Winslow, whom you may remember as tutor of Whit Bailey when I frequented the Herbarium at Brown. He is now assistant Patent Examiner in the Patent Office here. He seems to be a very quiet but pleasant sort of fellow.

Regards to all the folks,

Affectionately,

E. B. C.

1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.,
Feby 28. 1906.

Dear Collins.

I have just finished examining your 1845 recently received. I cannot see anything in it but *Hypnum imponens* Hedw. The stem leaves are faintly denticulate to be beginning of the alar cells, and above the middle strongly so, They are ecostate strongly falcate secund, margins recurved below, and the alar cells prominently enlarged and orange. Perichaetial bracts are squarrose, somewhat plicate, ecostate, or costa exceedingly faint (I couldnt see it in X-sections), and they are abruptly long serrate flexuous acuminate. Plant dioicous, and paraphyllia large, palmato-cleft and serrate. Capsule was rather old, but agrees in shape, and in what I could get of endostome, cilia, & annulus. The only point of difference is that Braithwaite says 'perich. los fewl', which is not the case. It agrees with Braithwaites, Dr J's & Lr J's descriptions. Braithwaite's plate represents a plant with less serrate stem leaves.
Let me know your opinion about it. My drawings made in 1901 agree well except that leaves are less serrate, while the description is ok. Since two separate determinations arrive at the same conclusion, I should consider it settled, unless you have other evidence. — All well here.

As usual,

Chamberlain.

from EDWARD C. CHAMBERLAIN,

Mch. 1. 1906.

Dear Collins:

I have just received word of a vacancy in a New York School, and am applying for the same. The position is as a teacher in Mathematics and Science. I have referred the principal to you, and wish that you would write him a letter, giving my qualifications for such a position.

His address is: Dr Otto König.

The Sachs Collegiate Institute,

38 West 59th St,

New York City.

Anything that you can do for me will be greatly appreciated. I don't know about my chances or about the place as yet, beyond that the cash is $1200. I am anxious merely to get my name before Dr König in the hope of getting a show for the place.

All well here,

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

March. 11. 1906.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your offer about the Cambleptogrium Kochii, I believe I have already written you about my idea as to the "authenticity" of even Alf Grout's things. I have from the museum a specimen from this region coll. Holzinger and det. Cardot, also one from Ea. Prussia, coll & det Schimper. These I shall use to identify descriptions by. Today I have made mounts of all the material of Kochii I have, and shall now wait until it clears up in glycerine enough to permit of careful study with drawing. By the way will you send me ~~two~~ one of Gillott 290 pens, I think that the number, anyway the fine drawing pen. I've left all mine at home, and can't direct mother so she can find them. I'll give stamps in payment. Judging from a hasty survey taken this morning the Huntington plant marked Kochii is near that all right, also the N. Am. Musc Plenec #243. But Schimpers plant is violently serrate, if I may use such a term, and has smaller leaves. Brauthwaite says Kochii is a var of trichopodium, Roth describes 'em separate. I've got to look up a lot of material before I can decide. The areolation in the upper 1/3 of the leaf seems to be the crux between varium and Kochii. I have plants which apparently go into both species. Br & Key is very misleading as regards nerve length. Chenery's revision I have seen at the museum, but I have no copy of my own. I must pick it up as a separate when I can find the chance and cash synchronous.

It may be a month yet before I can arrive at any definite results. I have to patchwork things along so much.

I wish that you may have a Bang Up Time at the Josselyn Meeting. You ought to get some of the New England Club people to go along for a Rowe Pond trip. I shan't be able to go myself, as the operation on mother's eyes will take place as soon as I get home, and I shall of course be at home all summer. In fact I don't know how much time I shall get this summer anyway. That will all come out later.

Say, think of it! Dr Rose of the Museum has been after me twice lately to accept a place under him in the Museum. Salary 1200 plunks, but — not for me. I told him I shouldn't even consider it. There are too many things that I don't like there. Rose himself is a very narrow, selfish rat of a fellow, a thoroughly second or third rate man, for whom I have no respect. Then the acceptance of such a place involves giving up all private bryological work, — the place he wanted me to consider is phanerogamic, sorting away plants, and such like. — I should have to agree to stop adding to my private collection of course, practically stop all bryological work. I don't propose to do that. I know a deal too much about the inside workings of that old Museum to want to get on the staff, as it is now.

Thanks for the printed labels, and also for your kindness in writing about me to Dr König. I think I stand some show for the position, anyway, unless I have orders to the contrary I shall go up to N.Y. this coming Saturday to have a personal interview, By a week from today I shall doubtless know the worst.

I had the pleasure of dining with an old classmate a fortnight back, I had a pretty good time, as I guess I wrote you, met Winslow who retired Mich. Bailey. But those blasted kids of his swarmed all over me, and rather destroyed the pleasure of my call.

What do you think of Mrs. Smith's note in the last Bryologist? Strikes me that somebody has been treading on Sister S's corns just a trifle. I reckon it is mostly hot air however.

Well, there are several other letters in crying need of attention and I must close this. Please remember me to all the folks,

Annual

Chamberlain.

March. ~~6~~ 12/06.

Dear Collins:

Our letters cross, and criss-cross. I'm mighty glad to hear that you ~~will~~ may be down here on or about the 21st. I can eat you and sleep you, as the phrase runs, I'm sorry to say that I shall be in school then, but we can raise Cain for the day's I'm not. If Sunday is propitious, we'll go up to Plummers Island for the day. Then I can put you on to the ropes as far as botany goes in the National Museum, and such like things. I do hope you can come, I'll meet you at the train, and we will be galumptious.

Thanks for Dr König matter, and note yesterday I ~~will~~ shall go to N.Y. Saturday unless ordered to the contrary.

What the Heck has come over W.W.B.? Please write me details and such for the sake of putting me on, I never supposed that anything except death would remove him.

Regards to all,

Chamberlain.

From [illegible]

March 19/06

Dear Collins:

I'm mighty sorry that your trip here has probably collapsed. I was counting on a right good time with you, I hope it will come off after all. Although I should have to be in school during the greater part of the day, yet I trust we could navigate together for some of the time. Part of Saturday could be spent at the Museum where I should like you to meet Maxon, Cantu, Dr Ross, and Abrams. Then Sunday I was planning for a trip up to Plummer's Island, which would let you see somewhat of the country, and also give you a chance to meet a good jolly crowd. I hope it can all come to pass yet.

But it got to be this year if at all, as Saturday when in New York I closed the deal with Dr König, and shall be there next year. He is a very pleasant man of about 35, and I think I shall find the school very pleasant. It's a big four-storey building at 38 West 59th St, and I shall teach, Algebra, Geometry, Trig. and Science. Salary for first year will be $1150, with a raise afterwards if all goes well. I had a mighty pleasant trip to New York, and also called on Mrs. Smith for a while. She is an exceedingly pleasant woman. By the way, there is to be a meeting of the Chapter next December in connection with the A.A.A.S, in New York, Place to be chosen.

I'll write you more later on as the details get worked out, I am to be running for contributions soon, and shall let you know more in detail.

Yes, I'll keep mum about Bailey, Do let me know some of the details tho, Why where & when, also what the outlook is for the future. You know if it can be of any service just where to find me.

Well, I have been so busy this last week, that letters have got badly behind, so this will be all to-night. Regards to all the folks, also congratulations or sympathy for W.W.S., you will know which is opportune in the present case; You might let me know, then I'll write the old dutch myself.

As usual,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear C.

Letter received OK. Have intended to rep[illegible] before this, but [illegible] have been on, and I've been on the [illegible]

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Mr. J. Franklin Collins:

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[illegible] Pa.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Washington, D.C. April 7, /06

Dear Collins:

Will you please drop me a postal saying in which volume of Bryologia Europaea I can find plates of Amblystegium Kochii, A. juratzkanum, A. varium and A. serpens. I can get the Bry Eur from the Library of Congress, that is I can consult it there, but I don't want to go through the [illegible] fraces just for four or five plates: I am in a fair way to get hold of Cheney's monograph ~~thro~~ some of the folks here, and then think I can solve the problem. I think most of what I have called Kochii is really juratzkanum, and I have got it mixed with varium too.

Your last letter came all right, but just at the time I was too busy to answer it. Bailey will be better off out of Brown, tho I, frankly speaking, do dislike his being pensioned as a deserving invalid. There is no passage of scripture truer than, "ask and it shall be given you." He was very kind to me while I was in Providence, I don't want to seem ungracious, but — well we know just what his calibre is, damned small potatoes and few in a hill. It is the everlasting pull, pull, pull, get "influence" with friends and then loaf. That sort of thing has disgusted me with government work here. There are lots of nice men in the scientific departments, fellows that I like and respect. But there are not a few who are grafters in spirit if not in name.

Did I write you that Dr. Rose, asked me if I would

consider a $1200 position in the Division of Botany? One of the present staff will probably leave at the end of June. I hadn't received my N.Y. job then, but I told Dr. Rose that I wouldn't even consider it for a moment. He is still wondering why. As a matter of plain talk, I consider Rose as a thoroughly incompetent, selfish, mean man, "Little" in all senses. He pretends to be a Ph.D. and is head curator of the department of Plants, under Coville. He can't read botanical French or German, hardly Latin. There is a word beginning with s & ending with t, which W.W.B. often uses; it just fits here. Well, they are on a par I guess, we both know beans in some directions, with out describing the exterior of the bean; after the mode of Botany 1. A. &c. As long as the American Botanist is in existence the Country is safe; Science will still proudly wave her plumed banner, and the torch of knowledge smoulder on its pedestal. Scorn such dry-as-dust things as Brainerd on Viola, & the Bot. Gaz. "There isn't one readable article in it"

Say, ~~that~~ let's cut it out. we both speak strongly.

Vacation begins Good Friday. Hoo-ray. I shall go up to Plummer's Island and stay until after Easter Sunday, if the weather is anyway's decent. It will be a rest, and a change, just as good as camping out. Then I go to New York the 18th to visit the school there, & get the ropes somewhat for next years work. On the way back I plan to visit Miss Clark at Bryn Mawr, then loaf &

do up some of the moss-work that's eternally wanting round the corner.

Last night I went to a geographical society lecture, on Photographing wild Game by Flashlight. Thos. Geo. Shiras, 2d, for some time M. C. from Pittsburg, has been at this for 25 years, and has some wonderful views of wild animals, deer, moose, coons, porcupines, birds &c, taken mostly by flashlight, and all in their native haunts. He governs himself by the same rules as he would in shooting, save that he uses a "jack" to locate the animal, & to approach it. He had one of a big lynx, seated on the shore of a Canadian Lake, looked for all the world like a big Tom Cat. The boat was about 30 feet away, all in darkness, when he exploded the flash & took the picture. The picture of course shows the cat quiet, but that magnesium flash makes a noise like a giant cracker. Mr. Shiras said that he heard that cat go up at least 15 feet in the air, come down & begin tearing up the face of nature, (it was blinded by the flash of course) and finally go off into the wilderness as if the very devil were after it, all the while using the most profane lynx-talk imaginable. One big bull moose charged the boat, and came near smashing the whole outfit. I wish you could have seen the pictures.

Tonight I am going to the regular monthly meeting of the Botanical Society. I enclose programme

The review of literature is a feature that the New England Club could well adopt. Otherwise the meetings don't hold a candle to the Boston ones. The great fault is that most of the papers are of no interest to anyone except a specialist in Plant Investigations. "Varieties of Algerian Durum Wheats", is not an attractive subject for example. This year, since the Paper has taken hold things are better.

Well, I must go to dinner. All well here, Here's hoping you enjoy life blessings. Regards to all the folks,

As usual

E. B. C.

The Botanical Society of Washington

The Thirty-fifth Regular Meeting will be held in HUBBARD MEMORIAL HALL, CORNER OF SIXTEENTH AND M STS., N. W., by courtesy of The National Geographic Society, at 7.30 o'clock, SATURDAY EVENING, APRIL 7, 1906. At the close of the program a buffet lunch and smoker will be held costing twenty-five cents for each person.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Mr. DEAN C. SWINGLE, *Chairman.*

1 **Review of Literature and Exhibition of Specimens**
All members are especially urged to contribute to this feature.

2 **Ascigerous Phases of Gloeosporium and Colletotrichum** . Mr. C. L. SHEAR
25 Minutes

3 **The Relation of Certain Species of Cuscuta to Agriculture** . Mr. F. H. HILLMAN
20 Minutes

4 **A Remarkable Lepidophytic Type from the Devonian** . . Mr. DAVID WHITE
15 Minutes

CHAS. V. PIPER,
Recording Secretary.

From EDWARD G. CHAMPION
1350 Jefferson Road, Washington, D.C.

Dear Collins:

April 22. 1906.

Have you received any parts of Engler and Prantl lately? The other day there came to me 2 copies of it entitled as follows. Die Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien: Ergänzungsheft II, enthaltend die Nachträge zu den Teilen II – IV für die Jahre 1897 bis 1904. 1 Lieferung. (Bogen 1–6)." It is really Nachträge III to the Spermatophytes, and includes Gymnosperms, monocots & some dicots. Now I can't say that I desire any of these parts. Mizel also sent me some time ago a copy of Lfg 221, which has to do with Lichens. Now, if you approve, I will write him and find out if it is not possible to have sent to us only those parts which have to do with the Bryophytes. I'll pay for all the extra parts I have at present, i.e. those that came last week, as I think I can dispose of them at some second hand place. I would like to know your opinions on the subject.

I have also picked up recently a pamphlet entitled "New Canadian Mosses, Described by Dr. Nils C. Kindberg, Linköping, Sweden 1889." It contains descriptions of some 20 species & varieties, beginning with Dicranum rugosum, Kindb. N. sp. another means of identifying it is that in the description of this species D. Schraderi is misspelled the 8th line of the description. My copy is

marked 'reprinted from the Ottawa Naturalist' and is paged separately 1-5. Now can you tell me the number of the volume, year, & original paging as in Ott. Nat. of which, I believe, you have a full set. No hurry about this. I have also had given me by Morris, an excerpt ~~about~~ from Bull. Soc. Royale de Bot. de Belgique 1903. which on pp 214-218 contains by Ch. Sladden a list of hepatics & mosses collected in 1903 near Chaudfontaine. by the Royal soc. de Belgique. with a few introductory notes. Nothing of great interest in it, but you may care to know I have it for reference if need be.

Thanks for your postal about the plates of Kochia vareeum &c in Amblyptenum. I have been using Cheney, at the museum, and am fairly satisfied that my two Plummers Island things are Kochia. Huntingtonplant from Amesbury as far as my specimen goes is Juratzkanum. Grout's Exsiccatae, marked Juratzkanum, seems to be more mixture than it confesses to. I have found it hard to get anything but vareeum from it, a fact which puzzled me. As I get spare time I am going to look up the plates in the Bry Eur & make some copies of them for future use. It's a devilishly puzzling mess of plants anyhow. I reckon one has got to be rather arbitrary in separating forms.

These past ten days I have been enjoying a rather strenuous vacation. I cut loose from the boarding house for the time, and have been "mealing" wherever

I happened to be. ~~Last~~ Friday the 13th I went up to the Beidgets Club with Morris, some ten miles above the city, & stayed until the following Monday morning. I got pretty thoroughly rested, as we were out of doors all the time, and, not doing any very strenuous mental work. Saturday night it rained hard! and all day Sunday the river went up, up, up; part of the time 14 inches an hour. We had a nice lot of hard work getting the ferry boat in shape to stand the drift &c. for by Sunday night the river was at winter stage, & running very fast. I got a lot of good mosses too, among them a bit of Gymnostomum rupestre, and Bryum roseum, as well as Drummondia clavellata on rocks! If it isn't that, its one of those blamed Rhychomitriums which puzzle the life out of one.

We had a great time as far as food went. Flapjacks, turtle soup, & turtle steak, (one of the people near by caught a big snapper and we bought some); lots of good sheep.

Then Monday afternoon the fellow who was teaching with me the first year I was here, came around & stayed until Tuesday. so we proceeded to celebrate in good style. Thus I lost all the rest I got at the Island. Tuesday night I took the sleeper to Newport, and spent the day at the School where I am to be next year, getting a good insight into the workings of things. That afternoon & evening I spent with Cumberland people living in Brooklyn.

got on my sleeper at midnight, and went to Philadelphia. Then I arose at 6. took the 7.15 for Bryn Mawr, and spent the day with Miss Agnes Black, and came back here in the sleeper Thursday night. You see I have been rather busy. I spent the rest of the vacation getting rested, as school begins tomorrow. I have had a very fine time of it tho: especially the day at Bryn Mawr. It's a very pretty place, as taken together one of the most beautiful campuses I have ever been on. We tramped over the campus and around town, talked a whole lot, and there was a graduate tea in the afternoon, Miss Black presiding, at which I did the honors, meeting a lot of very pleasant people.

Too bad you won't be able to visit the Josselyn Meeting, but I don't doubt but what you will find more to interest you in Gaspé. I of course, can't go, as mother will be just recovering from her operation. I expect those who do go will have a very fine time.

Well I must do some school work. Regards to all

E.B.C.

From EDWARD W. CRANDELL,
1850 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.

May 4/06

Dear Collins:

I send you by post today a copy of Die Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien Lfg 224 received yesterday. Do not bother to remit for it at present as you are paid to date with the exception of this. The other parts of which I wrote you, i.e. the Ergänzungsheft. Lfg I. dealing with supplementary material to the Flowering plants, I will keep myself and try to dispose of them soon. I shall also write Weigel, and see if it isn't possible to have him send only the moss parts in the future. I think I may be able to dispose of these extra parts. They cost 6 Mk each, and I have 2 copies. 6 Mk = 1.44 cts at present rate of exchange. If you hear of anyone wanting a copy please let me know.

Nothing particular going on here, just the usual, eat three meals, work & sleep sort of life. I am having some correspondence with the Rev Canon Lett, who has just become a chapter member, & with H. Dupret of Montreal, who writes always in French. It's heaps of fun. Lett will send me some dandy things for offerings in the Bryol later, such as Campylopus Schwantzii &c. He will prove a good man. I much now try to get in touch with our other "furreners". Have just glanced at the last Bryol. Mrs S. has had a dreadful time

with it. The printers strike raised the devil's. They had to put a green compositor on her work. She raised particular hell with things. She showed me some proof when I was last there.

Well, Thanks muchly for your letter about New Com. Biology article. This is a reprint, with change of paging, but otherwise unchanged.

Cordially, regards to all the folks.

E.B.C.

May. 9/06

Dear Collins:

Your card at hand. I haven't heard anything from Sister Smith regarding your article. If sent in Nov or Dec, it may have arrived too late for the Jany no. of the Bryologist, and the last two numbers have been pretty well taken up with material that happens to know has been hanging fire for some time. Poor Mrs. Smith has had a hard time recently. Merrill, the V.P. got nasty, and wrote some very saucy letters to her, attempting to dictate what she should print and what she shouldn't. She sent him to his little hole P.D.Q. This is on the q.t. of course. Then the printer's strike upset the whole plan for this last number, and coupled with an attack of neuritis, has made life a burden to her. I reckon your article is OK. I had one held up from Oct until March.

Have just received as I write a nice bit of stuff from Lacon Lett which will be offered in the next Bryol. Wish you would offer something from your Katadin or Grafé material. I'll gladly take care of the fuss of labelling, sending &c if you will let me have the chance.

All well here. How are you all, especially the Jenches family. No especial news.

Cordially: E.B.C.

From [illegible]
1830 Jefferson Place, Washington, D.C.

May 15/06

Dear Calvin:

I will send you specimens of the Lett mosses in a few days. They will be small, as I am going to send small bits to everyone, as I anticipate a good demand. I shall be very glad ~~for~~ to ~~attend~~ attend to the proof from Mrs. Smith, if you will drop her a card to that effect.

Don't hesitate to ask me to distribute specimens, I am very glad to do it; the added work will be trifling. If you will just send the stuff to me when ready before you start for Gaspé I'll see that it gets in the September Bryologist. I shall have the Lett material for July.

Glad you and Pennell are to have such a good trip this summer, are you going to spend all the time at Mt Albert, or as before skirt along the shore of the peninsular for a time. Let me know later when you get your itinary made out.

Well, I have just been mounting up permanent material in glass mounts. I have about 150 slides now, and nearly as many more to be mounted. I am trying to work out some scheme to keep them arranged conveniently. I have had an immense lot of material. That is

cumbersome, I have them now alphabetically in ~~two~~ three series; hepatics, acrocarps, & pleurocarps. Some day I'll get the whole affair to rights.

Glad you all & the Jeffries are well, my regards,

Ever yours

Chamberlain

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your itinerary for the summer. May joy attend you. I expect at present indications to leave here about June 15, and shall go direct home soon to get the operation for mother over as soon as possible before hot weather. School closed today; nothing but tutoring now. Had a very unexpected pleasure today. The boys knew I was to leave the school, and they gave me as a remembrance, $36, to be used to buy botanical books. I have ordered Lindpreit. Regards, all

E.B.C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
Brown University,
Providence
R.I.

Dear Evelina:

June 9. '[illegible]

I hope this, going to Ste Anne des Monts will reach you before you go into the wilderness for good. I got back yesterday from Rowe Ponds, and came out here today with mother. We are now ready to settle down for the summer. She is getting along finely and doing nothing. She is nervous at times, but will be better here at E. than in Portland. Her rheumatic trouble retards her eyes somewhat, but all's going on well even if slowly.

Rowe Pond is great! that is the verdict of all. Sixteen were present, including RaWare of Boston and John Mudock Jr, a young fellow just out of Harvard whom Knowlton got to lecture to us. Mudock is a shark in forestry. McP. can tell you about him. He did a good job, and, best of all, is a good man to live in camp with.

The members present were, Pellew, Stubbs, OwKnight, E.B.E., Misses Knowlton, Evans, Coburn, Brainerd & Mother B., Mansfield, Mrs McStevens, Guests (non members) RaWare, Jmundock Jr, Miss Curtis (Philadel) Mrs. OwKnight Miss Fox (Portland).

This made all hunky. Got to Bingham Monday. Left for Healey's Tues. 9 a.m. Stopped at Huston Brook Falls. Dohowed 'em round, then got Preissia (-cfl) in quantity also Distichium &c; also neale, fell backwards the whole

height of the fall, caught myself just in time. Then I was so interested getting the moses that I let the teams go off, and so I walked in to Healey's, for there just 6 minutes after the teams, for dinner at H's; by the way I scraped acquaintance with him and found him all you said. The female women were rather dubious about the walk in, but when they saw the road they were glad they walked. But that isn't a bad road. I reckon Healey doesn't want to use his horses up on it, that's why he has people walk. Well, the party got in there all right. Mr & Mrs. Knight had the cottage you spoke of. Fellows, Stubbs Mrs. Murdock & Bruce in Woodstock, where all the meetings were held. It is OK. There was absolutely no complaint about accomodations or board from anyone. The woman you heard of at Bingham (I heard this the Colby's whom I saw both going and coming) was a funny old hen who didn't know beans. We had good camp board, and all we wanted to eat too.

The fourth was rainy, during the forenoon. However the O. members went by boat to Clear Pond, thence returning we coasted the entire shore of Rome Pd, locating several rocks en route, & for Hyp cordifolium (?!?) & fr. on Clear Pd trail.

Saturday left camp at 7.30 most of em went out old trail. Fellows Wm Murdock & I went out to bridge, then down the brook to an old trail to Healeys. You & I must work that brook it has good slate canyons. Thence Healeys to home was uneventful.

You have no reason to feel dissatisfied with the selection of Rowe Pd Camps, except your own inability to be there. We missed you much. All were greatly pleased with the trip. The officers remain about the same for next year, except that you, I & Mr Clark are the Com of Arrangements. There is considerable talk of Bethel, Portland & Mt. Washington. All can be thrashed out later on. Fellows & I will perhaps go to Bethel this Sept to look the ground over and see "how she looms."

Well I must put mother to bed. She is rather helpless even now. I suppose this is the last letter it will be any use to write you for a month. Anyway drop me a card if you get this at St Anne. Regards to Fernald and the best wishes for success to all of you. Please let me know if I sent you any of the papers from Canon Lett which appeared in the July Bryologist. Your article is there. I haven't read the magazine yet. Regards from Mother — Cordially E.B.C.

Wed, evening Murdoch talked on forestry, & Mr. Day had his fireworks. At the dinner table that day, we each found a very pretty little souvenir in brich bark with characteristic verses from Mr. Day.

Thursday morning was devoted to Bear Pd: Wac, Murdoch Knight & I tramped up the west shore, found Arcanthobium abundant, Splachnum sp. cfr! Listera cordata Pyrola minor.? Stubbs tried to take a boat load on the pond & found every rock in it, - some twice. That afternoon I took Sam Rollins, & went off with Wac, Knight & Murdoch, This was an invitation party, my treat, Fellows couldn't go. For your cordatorhizas. They are multiflora, for we paid for you. Then went down to Cannon on the Carry Pd trail thence down through the two deadwaters on the brook leading out of Jewett Pd, In the first we got a lot of good Carices. In the 2d Hippuris was abtd, also freshly beaver-cut trees, There is a beaver dam lower down and we couldn't go very far on account of the flooding, Saw fresh deer & moose tracks, Also parked at Brandy Pd on way home Friday, forenoon, took bluff to the west of Clear Pd, found nothing hardly, to day, Steve heaps of moses all told the, many in quantity for distributions. Friday P.M. loafed, packed trunks &c &c,

Flies & midges &c were not abtd, except Thur day P.M.

Jmell/
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4 Pm

Dear C:

Proof of Bryological article came this noon from Mrs. Smith and I have gone over it, OK, and ordered 100 reprints sent you at Providence. We joint Portland Monday 11 of, operation Tues. P.M. I'll drop you a postal. Expect here Fri from Prof Clemens

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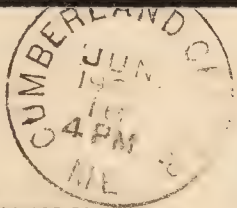

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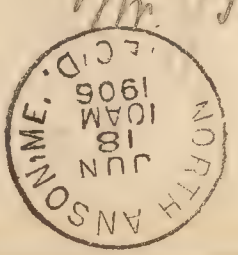

send mail as usual to Cambridge Center

94 Spring St. Portland, Me.
June 22, 1906

Dear Collins:

The operation on the left eye has passed off most successfully as far as mother goes. It took place Tuesday morning, and now no traces of inflammation have occurred in either eye. This is 72 hours after the time so we feel very sure that none will occur. She stood the operation well, cocaine being used, and after about three o'clock the afternoon, all pain ceased, and she has had no traces of it since. The doctor is perfectly satisfied with the work, and thinks there will be no further trouble and that a good eye will result. But as you know time is the only thing that will tell in this regard.

I hope you are having a good time & that your trip to Gaspé will be fine. If all goes well, I shall be at the Rome Pond meeting this year, and I think I can secure a competent person to stay with mother the week I am gone, & be all to work. But

I should be able to tell that until the middle of next week. If I can I shall call on the Colbys a moment while in Bingham.

Well, I've a lot more letters to write, so I now attend to the correspondence of the whole family. Never mind about those Snowshoes, send 'em to me in the fall if you come to, & shall try to fix some stuff at Long Pond for demonstrations.

As ever,
C. P. Chamberlain.

To the Members of the Sullivant Moss Chapter:

A general notice concerning the Chapter Meeting next December has already been issued in the Bryologist. The success of such a meeting depending largely upon the co-operation of the individual members, the following letter is sent out to enlist their aid.

It is desired that each member who can do so, have upon exhibition those species of some one genus, which occur in his or her locality ; accompanied by a paper given *brief* notes upon the distribution, habitat, and variation of these species. Each specimen should have a label giving name, locality (town and state), habitat, date when collected, name of collector, and the name of the person determining the plant. The paper itself should also contain a list of the specimens exhibited. Especial emphasis is to be placed upon the variations, so as to show the relation existing between the variety or form and the especial habitat.

Will not *you* prepare such a list for our meeting? Long lists or papers are not wanted, *brevity* and *accuracy* being the ideals for each to attain. Neither are uncommon or critical species needed for these lists, the common ones are far preferable. Above all, do not think the plan as outlined above, excludes the contribution of any other interesting material, everything connected with the work of the Chapter is greatly desired.

In so far as time allows, the papers thus prepared will be read at the meeting, and abstracts of all will be given in the report to be published in the Bryologist. Please let me hear from you, whether you are able to prepare such a list or not. I shall be very glad to go into the details of the plan with any member, and to render any assistance in my power.

EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,

CUMBERLAND CENTER, MAINE. **President.**

June 22, 1906.

Dear C.:

All goes hunky-dory regarding Mrs. C. I think I have surely got Rowe Pond. Haven't you something, for the meeting as above? Discuss it with me next ... Think it in mind this Summer.

Cordially, C.

JUN 25 6PM 1906 ANSON

[illegible] CAMERON,
[illegible] Ch. N. June 25. 06

Dear [illegible]

Thanks for your letter. I will remember the Rose Bud directions, if I get there. While all is going on smoothly, day in mother's care. She is very nervous and I may decide that it is best for me to remain at home. All will depend upon her condition this coming week. I must hope rightly, pray fervently, trust implicitly.

Affectionately yours,

[illegible]

Enquirer [illegible]

[illegible] Ch. [illegible] 75

NORTH ANSON
JUN 26 7AM 1906
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Prof. J. G. Carvalho
Bingham
c/o Chas. Bell Co.

From [illegible]
[illegible] 8/30/06.

Dear C:

Many thanks for your letter regarding Long Pond: I do wish mightily that you could be there. Why don't you let Josephine wait a week? It will keep. I think now that there's no doubt I may going to Rl. Pond next week. I leave my trunk all packed. Mother is in good shape as far as eye goes. All OK, but she is a trifle nervous. She will remain in Portland until just before I get back to Cambridge, at present plans. I have Mr Sherry's map of Rom Pd, also some old other maps, which look like N.G. Regards to Hermann will try to show a letter accordingly you at the Rom arrangements.

Yours etc,

E.W.C.

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Prof. J. Franklin Collins.

p. m. O. Fernald,

Ore.

Cumberland Center, Maine

24 - Aug - 06.

Dear Collins:

I gamble on this about catching you on your return to civilization at Ste Anne des Monts, and trust it finds you and Fernald, both of you, safe, sound, & laden with much plunder. I hoped that you would be able to stop off a day or two here on your way back but yesterday we had word from Mrs. Jenckes of your father's being told to go to Maine, so I suppose you will go back at once to Providence. And on the whole, I couldn't invite you here for more than a day or two under the present régime. Mother is getting better, but very slowly, and her nerves bother her so much that any over-exertion or excitement sets her back. But if you can on your way stop here for

a few hours. I shall be overjoyed. If you go thro Portland and can't stop off, let me know please which train & when. Then I will meet you for a while in the Union Station.

Don't get the idea that we are sick here, we're not, mother is doing much more work than when I last wrote you, but she has to tighten up gradually — like a coaster brake.

Your Check list of Polytrichaceae here in the Rhodora for July is capital. I shall proceed, — when I get time — to revise my collections by it. I have got two or three darned funny Catharinaeas, look like P. undatum (capillare or merigerum externally, but they won't fit acquitrin but Catharinaeas. I haven't studied 'em much, in fact I have

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I spent only 3 afternoons with my microscope this summer, so I can't be very hard up for work to do. Today I did my ~~first~~ 2d flowering collecting for the season, barring Rowe Pond. The report of that has gone in for Rhodora, & I have corrected proof of it. There are 5 or 6 Bryophytes in the list of good things. Tell Mr Fi we got Carex exilis, Arenthobium, Pyrola minor, & Hippuris, as our best finds.

Well, so long I must go to work, drop me a card at least to show your pleasure. With cordiall regards from all of us to both of you,

E. B. Chamberlain,

From EDWARD B. CHANDLER,
Cumberland Center, Maine. Sept. 1, 1906.

Dear Collins:

I haven't much to write to you about hardly more than the excuse that your postal was rec'd OK. I expected that you would go directly to Providence from St. Anne de Monts, when I heard that your father was ill. I'm glad to hear that he is getting along so nicely. You say over indulgence in "green goods". Well I have been doing the same thing, and last night mother had her turn, brought on, perhaps, by getting a trifle too tired the day before. She wants to do enough to get tired, or she doesn't sleep any, yet it is easy to overdo, since she has almost no reserve of strength, so all in all it's rather a delicate problem. But we are getting along all right notwithstanding. — School in N.Y. opens Sept. 26. I wish to be on hand early so as to get things in ship-shape order, & to take account of stock as it were. This year however, in view of mother's condition, I shall stay here until the last grain is fried, and go on in the sleeper at night, so I shan't be able to make any visit in Providence on the way down. During the fall term, however, I shall run down for a Saturday and Sunday, unless my expectations are greatly at fault. I'm sorry to say, that I don't think it advisable for me to undertake any Gaspé moss work this winter. Perhaps next season may look different. I have a lot of work on hand now, left-overs of various kinds, and I shall also be busy with going into a new school. Therefore I don't want to ~~repay~~ mortgage myself. To tell the truth, too, I'm pretty tired this summer

It hasn't been as much vacation as is usual, and I shall need rest the winter. Perhaps after this year, things will be better arranged at home and elsewhere, so that I can take up several long-delayed projects. If mother gets her sight back in good shape it will make a vast difference in conditions of life.

There is no news to write here, my spare time, aside from out-door exercise, is being given to chemistry just now, as I have three classes in it, beginning at different places, and I must be like a bomb loaded to the point of bursting!

Please give our regards to the Jeuches family; I really don't believe I shall get the time to answer her letter as it deserves, so she'll have to get her news by proxy until mothers eyes allow writing. Hope your father & mother are getting along nicely. They should be down here to take in the lovely cool weather we are having — but its dry as dust. The last real rain here was in July. Three thunder showers tho have helped us out. Mother wishes to be remembered to you all most cordially.

Sincerely

E.B.C.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

Sept 4. 1906.

Dear Collins:

I enclose the H. W. Lett mosses. They are beauties tho the specimens are by this time nearly exhausted. I saved good examples for you however. There isn't very much going on here. The tide of life doesn't rage in these parts. I am getting little odds and ends of work done up so as to be able to depart with a fairly peaceful mind: but I hardly know how I shall succeed. I haven't yet finished putting in pockets my Rowe Pd stuff so you see how little spare time there is; there were only about 100 or 125 pkts.

Some day, some how, I'm going to Borden's Pond, but it will have to be when there is less to do summers than now.

We go in town to-morrow to see the oculist. I hope for very favorable report, as mother's eye is cleared up all but a very tiny bit.

Must stop now for other things.

Regards all from both of us.

As usual,

E. B. C.

cacu. I have quite a lot for chapter offerings from these, and I wish to have mostly printed labels. The enclosed will be an idea, made standard size of course, unless you ~~prefer~~ think size enclosed better. Give me your ideas on 'em & should like them by Nov 1st say.

By the way I enclose a lot of samples of my labels, they may give you hints. I want sometime to have some slips printed lets this, ——————————— for

Det. E.B. Chamberlain

use in verifying mosses in my own and other herbaria; do you get the idea.

Well, to most dinner time, and I haven't fallen off on my feed noticably this summer, Regards to all the folks from both of us,

As ever,

E.B.C.

Sept. 7, 1906.

Dear Collins:

Much thanks for the reprints which came to hand safely. The Joselyn article was so short I took no reprints of it so, I can't exchange on it. I enclose the Splachnum & Hylocomium. Neither have been microed, but I think I can rig it from hand lens determinations.

Have you much Anomodon from that region? I saw only one small bit while there. Dicranum & Ulota were very abundant, also what I think (guess, only) to be Bryum ~~roseum~~.

However haven't dared tackle anything, I've too much else to do. I probably have a room OK by this time, am only awaiting reply to my letter of acceptance. It will be 519 W. 121st St. probably. I can't say as yet however. I leave here

as I wrote you sometime on Sat. Sept. 22d & go directly through, probably via 12⁰⁰ from Boston at midnight. That gives me a day in which to become settled in N.Y. City, & 2 days to learn the location of things at the school. I hope that will be sufficient.

Mother expects to have temporary glasses by Monday next. Her eye hasn't ~~already~~ completely cleared up yet, but it is very nearly so, and the Dr wants her to use her eyes just a bit every day. Glasses will doubtless have to be changed, but there will be a big gain in her being able to do some reading instead of none. The increase from 0% to 1% is a heap bigger than from 1% to 2%, you know.

I have taken my discretion in both hands, thrown it away, & written to Nicholson of Lewes England, Lachenaud in France & 2 of the Japanese Chapter members, & drum up exchanges. Really there have been among the chapter offerings a number of very desirable things to non-American residents, and I am doing my best to stir up enthusiasm. I used 4-ct reply postals in my "demos" & I hope to get some sort of a reply from them, a "yours received & contents noted," anyhow.

Well, there isn't much else going on anyhow, so this will be quantum suff, save that I wish to know if you can at some time print me some labels. (Don't be too hard on those sent with mss enclosed the printer and I are jointly to blame).

I want some 250 for the last Joselyn meeting perhaps more, and I'll let you do the job at standard rates if you

THOS. EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
[illegible] Center, Maine.

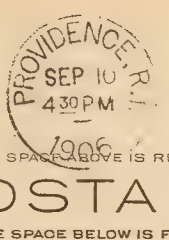
Sept. 9. 1906

Dear Collins.

Can you loan me for a month or so, 3 of the ordinary 25 slide slide boxes. I am full to overflowing & haven't time to do anything till I get to N.Y. I'll return them as soon as I can send them along & I'll pay postage.

Mother got her glasses Friday (temporary pains) & is now learning to use them. All well

E.B.C.



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Prof. J. F. Collins,

468 Hope St.

Providence.

R. I.

11 Sept. 1906.

Dear J.P.C.

The labels arrived OK, and you are very good to take the time to print them. The size suits me well too. Please send me the bill for the same, and I will credit you with it on our Engler & Prantl account. Thanks also for the samples of identification labels: I agree with you as to the largest size being the most useful.

Just now I'm very busy getting the odds and ends of matters and things fixed in shape for leaving, and I have practically no spare time to devote to anything except business, and usual out-door exercise. Election yesterday has been the most fruitful source of conversation here of late.

Glad to hear your father is getting along well, and hope improvement will continue. All going well in this end of the hospital tho the patient is having a bad time with nerves.

Well, I must write more, to other sources. Had to have my glasses changed yesterday & eyes are a bit tired yet — You needn't let on to anyone but I'm been told to use eyes less. So I must be good, evening, Yours ever E.B.C.

IX-12-06.

Slide boxes came OK, ~~thanks~~
will return 'em as soon as I
can get to my seaters.
Regarding opening: I think
40 specimens would be ample. Including
Chapter Hub specimen I have sent out
32 sets of the best Mosses.
which may be a good crite-
rion.

All hunky dory here

E. B.

Have just rec'd word that those
366 mosses coming to me by parcel
post from Poissie Hub, will let you
know what ones before long. C.

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Rev. J. B. Collins,
468 High St.
Providence R.I.

CHAMBERLAIN
Portland, Maine.

17 Sept. 06

Dear C.

I send today by post, Lfgr. 226 of Engler & Prantl, which came last week. All well here & busy. Hope you're the same.

C. H.

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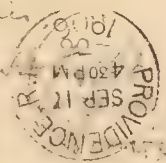
Prof. J. P. Cowin



R. I.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

18. Sept. 1906.

Dear Collins:

I enclose a postal which came last May, which I found in overhauling truck preparatory to going away. I utterly neglected to get the mosses, but I can supply you with all the material that has been offered if you want it. I will send a Pontiac's flower in after I get to New York as Mr Dupeat has written me that his supply is exhausted.

You had best prod my memory about Oct 1st this, as I may not think of it.

By the way have you a copy of the International Code of Botanical Nomenclature &c - adopted at Vienna. I have to get one this fall for myself and can easily remember, opinion, It is published by Gustav. Fischer. Jena. price 2 50/100 Mk. Let me know.

My New York address is 519 West 121st St. New York City. for the first fortnight it may be well to add care C.F. Van Steenburgh. It probably doesn't be well known at first

All getting along well here but very busy, will try to write after I get to ny, I leave at 5.30 P.M. Saturday next,

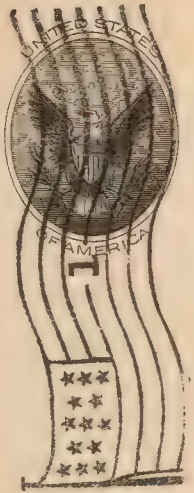
E.B.C.

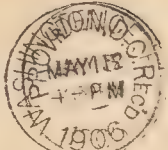
BROWN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

PROVIDENCE, R. I., U. S. A., May 12 1906

Dear C.: This is supplementary to letter just sent. I would be very glad to get Canon Lett's mosses, and also any others which may be offered during the summer. If you can get them for me and keep memorandum of my indebtedness to you I'll settle when I get back to civilization again. I usually apply for most all of the mosses offered, simply for geograph. distrib.. I sometimes write applying for dirt common species though not always. We are all well here. Jenkins' dittos. Mr. J. at work again with a new and better pair of eyes. What time do you expect to get away from Wash. this year?

Cordially J. F. C.





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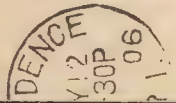

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I usually pay in Portland for labels on ~~Bouver~~ ~~Smutter~~ stock paper $1.75 per 1000. Average get all up, by old bills of Camb. Bot Sup Co etc. I credit you with 65¢. for printing postage etc.

Det: Edward B. Chamberlain.

I hereby place an order for 1000 identification labels of your larger size, printing as above to be done at your convenience - I'd rather not have the thick paper you have in your medium size this. All well

Cordially EBC

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Prof. J. T. Collins.
468 Hope St,
Providence, R.I.

Dear C:

All is going finely here, but I'm too busy to write a letter as yet. I'll see that 3 copies of Code de la Nomenclature Internationale are ordered when I send. I have written a card to Fischer in Jena. I haven't had a reply as yet. Just now school absorbs most of my spare time. Think I shall like it immensely but I'm at present rather too new at it to say.

Regards to all

EBC

519 West 121st St. NY City.

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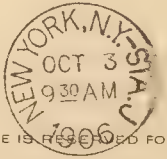

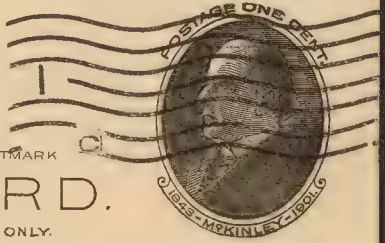

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Providence, R.I.

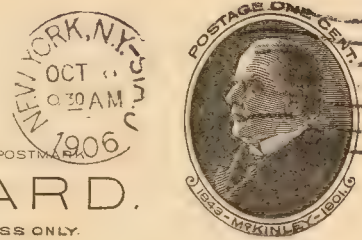
519 W. 121st St. N.Y. City.

Dear C:

At the last moment, in getting Bryologist proof ready, I found that I had in the rush neglected to appoint a Judge of Elections for the November balloting. So I've appointed you. As the job won't take any particular amount of time I trust you'll accept the honor thus thrust upon you. The bryo goes to press Tuesday, & then wasn't time to ink-wire you. All well here, but I'm right busy. Hope for a beautiing spell next week. Regards to all

E.B.C.

7 Oct. 06.



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468 Hope St.,
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THE BRYOLOGIST
~~70 ORANGE STREET~~
~~PHOENIXVILLE, PA.~~

519. West. 121 St. N.Y. city:
11. Oct. 1906.

Dear Collin:

Thanks for the identification labels which came to hand all right. The size & all suits me perfectly. Whenever I wish a smaller size I can use the shears myself. I have given you credit in our cash account for 65 cts in payment for the same.

Life here is beginning to move on in routine fashion and I soon hope to have things moving of themselves, so as to leave me a chance for a little more work. Thus far I have not as yet unpacked the stuff in my micro. case. In fact I'm waiting for some goods from Washington ere I get fully settled. I have a very pleasant room, facing southeast, on the 6th & top floor of a small apartment house just a block north of Columbia Univ. The room is about 12 ft square, and well lighted, there being a vacant lot to the east. I therefore get plenty of air, light, and as the house is on high ground, a view East over the city to Long Id. Sound. The people of whom I rent are very likable quiet folks, and I have every reason to congratulate myself, especially when I see the majority of New York rooms.

The school, too, is very pleasant and the work enjoyable. The kids are reasonably well behaved, but inclined to be noisy and are rather excitable. In some ways it is harder than in D.C. but of course I expected a certain amount of trouble at first. I think I can try out and make good in another week. The work that takes the most time is the Chemistry, which requires considerable preparation upon my part, and stacks of extra lab work. My predecessor was not tidy and left things completely in a heap when he departed, so I have been very literally washing bottles & cleaning glassware for a living. I have found that I must give the whole place a thorough overhauling and rearrange everything, which takes a lot of my time, but I'm getting things done little by little, and hope to see daylight before long. The principal and the teachers are very kind pleasant people, whom I like very much.

Thank you ever so much for accepting my thirst of Judge of Elections. It's helped me out of a hole, and I ~~[illegible]~~ mighty gratified

Matters and things at Cumberland are going on in fairly good shape, tho' I don't like present arrangement. Mother is alone far more than is good for her, but she is so weak, that any extra exertion plays her out completely. Excitement flusters her badly, and she isn't strong enough to visit in Bristol. She has a girl who is there nights and remains to breakfast, but she doesn't feel able to take a regular boarder, as yet. I really don't know what she'll do when snow comes.

Saturday I'm going up to the Garden Saturday to get acquainted with the people there, and hope to start some really pleasant acquaintances. Shall probably meet Mrs. Britton & the other moss shanks, and will let you know later.

Best of all, I have found that we shall get pay the 15th of the month, so I'm soon to be in comfortable circumstances if not rolling in wealth. If agreeable to you all, I'll run up to Providence for the 27th & 28th leaving here at 5.00 so as to arrive in Prov at 10 PM Friday night and returning so as to get in here at 8.30 Sunday night, or perhaps taking the sleeper from Providence. If you can send me definite notice as to trains from Prov. I'd be much obliged.

Well, all's going finely & the goose hangs high. Regards to all of you. I trust you are well. If the 27-28 date isn't convenient let me know when after will suit you.

Cordially,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Dear C:

Unless an unforseen happening prevents, I'll arrive in Providence at 8.58 next Friday evening and will come directly to the house, I shall probably leave on the 4.03 train Sunday as that gets me here in decent time for bed & work next day. All going fine.

As usual

E.B.C.

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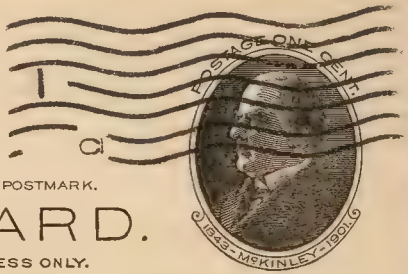

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468 Hope St,
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519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City,
10 Nov. 1906

Dear Collins:

I'm back safe & sound, as I suppose you inferred from not hearing a word from me. To tell the truth I've been pretty busy. I first have secured me a desk, about the size of the one in the freshman lab: at B.U. only mine is a roll-top. I found a man who wanted to sell, one which he had used, and as the desk was on the whole in good condition, I bought. It now stands me $6.00, so I feel that I have made quite a bargain. I can sell it again for almost what it cost me, and the top drawer, incidentally, holds all my card catalogue easily. So I'm quite like living. — I enclose the Pontrinalis flaccida you wanted; the Nechera of the Nor. Bryologist is from Rowe Pond, so I take it you do not want it. When you are writing, if you will put in about 5 specimens of your Paludella, for our foreign correspondents, I'd be much obliged. I'm is other than your Grande Rivière No 3660 specimen, I'd like a bit for myself, also. I've done a bit of the polytricaceous thing from Miss Crochet, which gave me such a scare last May. I decided, (hand-lens) it was Pogonatum sp.! under a micro it seems to be Atrichum. but matches naught that I have, I commend it & your tender mercy. Can it be a angustatum?

Is there now anything which I ought & send you aside from specimens of all my polytricaceae? I believe I've sent you the Lett. mosses, haven't I? I'm trying to get my obligations up to date, and to be able to begin mos work in earnest soon. Will you please tell me the name of hepatic, your number 2177a. from Katahdin, I find I haven't it tagged yet. Write Sam about it. I enclose also some Polytrichum

that happen to be lying about; good, bad, & indifferent. The European shows the dark brown calyptra well. As soon as I can I will send you what I can of my bryo material. I think I have about 100 specimens, including the exsiccatae. If you want, I'll send you the cards from my card catalogue and you can check up what specimens you would like to see, then I'll send em along and you can take your pick of duplicate material. For example, I have Polytr. sexangulare from Kristiansand, Norway, coll Hagen; Big Horn Wyo. coll Gooding; Ben Mac Dhui, Scotland, coll G. E. Hunt, from all of which you could get bits anyhow. Let me know what you want to do about it, & I'll govern myself accordingly.

I was mightily surprised to learn that Fernald had gone the way of all mortals. What caused this thusness? God help poor Botany now. As Pinkie Lee at Bowdoin once said: I could take a studying practical biology. Well, I think all is up to date now, as far as letters to you go, but if I've forgotten anything let me know. I might add that we are all well here, and that I am finding an easier streak of school work, so I am actually getting time to work over envelopes, if not determine mosses. By the way, if you are here at the December meeting (Friday Dec 28, N.B.!) can't you talk for 5 or 10 minutes on Gaspé moss flora; just a popular discourse to please the old hens who will probably form the bulk of the audience. Sort of a few words about the verdant sphagna, & wonderful marl bogs, à la American Botanist for W.C.B.

Regards to all the folks,

Cordially,

E. B. Chamberlain

Dear C:

Paludella came in thanks.

I reckon Christmas will be as good a time as any to see the Polytricha, & you can also go over the Garden Herb them if you want. Anytime you want to see them, tho, just drop a card. I have today received from Miss C. M. Carr, So. Sudbury Mass. fresh material of what she says is Atrichum crispum. Will examine as soon as I can and let you know. I will send memorandum of Paludella distributions, as requested. Have yesterday sent for 3 copies: International Rules Nomenclature from Fischer in Jena,

As ever,

E. B. C.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y.C.

13 Nov. 06.

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POSTAL CARD.

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Prof. J. R. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R. I.

519 W. 121 St. N. Y. City, Nov. 17, 1906.

Dear Collins:

Wonders will never cease! My moss 3204, from Camden Maine is Catharinaea Macmillani Holzinger, as Atrichum Pflanzenf. ~~563~~ 573. This afternoon at the Garden I have been at the whole thing and have compared it with one of Holzinger's specimens with the above result. Sister Britton agrees with me too. I have a fragment of the ~~ty~~ plant from Mrs. B. and shall make further comparisons, and shall send a bit to Holzinger tonight. I enclose a "detr." label for you. The leaves are very papillose, also the terminal cells of the lamellae. I have written Miss Crosbie, for a lot of it, offering anything I have in exchange, and shall make this the basis of a note for the chapter meeting and for the Bryologist. Unless the plant turns out to be one of Austin's odd finds (He has a C. asyngastaeum in hand), this will be its first collection in fruit. I shall give my available time to working the matter up.

Thanks for the determinations of the Foster Moss, Lie let him know by postal at once. Must close to write other letters, Incidentally. Catharinaea undulata minor, which you request, is very different. Specimen in Herb. N.Y. Bot Garden, (Funk, Crypt. Gewächs der Fichtelgebirges) shows a capsule 1/4 longer and 2x as thick as. minor / macmillani

Cordially,

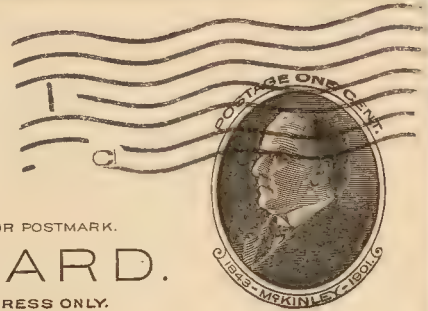
E.B.C.

Dear C:

If you have any record of the publication by C.F. Austin of varieties of Atriches, especially A. angustatum parvum I wish you'd let me know. My catalogue doesn't cover it.

Cordially,
C.

Nov 19. 06.



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Monsieur G. Colomb-Dufour,
Ingénieur à l'Institut Pasteur des Jordils, Bretigny, Lausanne
(Suisse)

Joselyn Sutton

July	1895	Portland.
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		Rangeley Lakes. No.

Dear C.:

I send you today, to the University, 2 copies Règles Internationales de la Nomenclature Botanique, received today from Gustav Fischer in Jena, and have ~~credited~~ debited your account with 1.39 for the same. The second copy is, you know, for Mr. Reynolds.

The letter with votes &c was received OK today, and shall be duly attended to. All well here, but busy as 2 Bees. Cordially.

E. B. C.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
8 Dec. 06.

As soon as you know yourself, I should like to know about your attendance on the Chapter meeting.

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THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

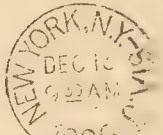
Prof J. R. Collins,
168 Hope St,
Providence,
R.I.

Dear Cs

Sorry that you think you won't be able to attend in Dec. Hope you may change your mind at the ultimate instant. All well here, but very very busy, with the holiday rush, & business on hand for Dress meeting. Cordially,

EBC

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
12 Dec. 06.



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Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St.
Providence, R.I.

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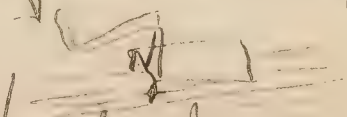
Cumberland Center, Maine,

23 Dec., 1906.

Dear Collins.

I am sending you by express, prepaid thro, a few little Christmas trinkets, for yourself and the family, I hope &c. The calendar is for yourself, from me, the pose fan is for your mother from my mother. The remainder is for Mrs. Jenches. I trust you will be able to get the calendar put together safely. It is like this, with the wire piece wants hold the



paper as turned back. I noticed that you seemed to have on your desk

P.S.

Oh, when you were at Cumberland in ~~about~~ 1901 (August) you took a picture of mother & myself with Uncle David Wilson standing in front of the house. As it happens, that is the only picture extant of the house & the only picture of the man, for Uncle David is dead & the house recently burned down. Do you think it would be possible to enlarge from the picture, the portion showing the old main part of the house to the left? If so, I would like to stand the cost of 2 or 3 enlarged pictures.

Drop me a line on it sometime

nothing in the way of a memorandum pad calendar. I have found this particular calendar very useful myself, and I trust you will also.

Well, I haven't time to write very much, I have a lot of letters to be done, anyhow. I shall go back from here Thursday night, taking the midnight from Boston for New York.

Well, the best of Christmas greetings & New Year's joy to you all — both families of you — from both mother and myself.

As ever,

E.B. Chamberlain

519 W. 121 St. N.Y.City,

Dear Collins: 9 Jan. 07.

School and other work have so taken up my time lately that letters have been left in the lurch, and tonight I can write but a note.

Regarding the enlargement of the pictures, it will be all right to eliminate mother and me, as the picture of the old man is most desired. There is absolutely no hurry about it, so take your own time.

I enclose two clippings from the N.Y. Evening Post, that may interest you: they speak for themselves. I'm sorry you weren't able to be at the chapter meeting; we had about 30 present and a very enjoyable time, the papers were largely informal and the meeting quite social in its nature. Mrs Britton rambled a good deal, but on the whole the papers were crisp, and interesting. I was very glad to meet Grout, Best, Evans, Fink and the others. Some 30 were present which I consider a very good attendance, all considered. Mr. G. J. Hill sent a fine exhibit of British Columbia plants (mosses, lichens, and hepatics). Miss Annie Lorenz read a paper on Cephalozia, and showed a number of interesting mosses from Wilmington, Vermont. Miss C. H. Clark, a most delightful little old maid of 65 or 70, daughter of James Freeman Clark the historian, exhibited many mosses, and a series of monthly moss sheets which she has described in the Bryologist. Mrs. Britton had some fine sheets of Jamaican mosses for exhibition, while Miss Haynes & Mrs. Smith

contributed original drawings, artists proofs &c from the Bryologist. Mr. R. S. Williams gave a talk on the Mitten herbarium. (substance of it is in the clipping). Dr Evans described and illustrated two new species of Calypogeia, while Prof Fink gave a talk upon British Columbia Lichens, with many illustrative specimens: Holzinger also had specimen from his exsiccata for distribution. The day after I was at the exercises at the N.Y. Garden, pretty dull as exercises, (papers &c) but I met a lot of old friends, as well as many new ones including B. M. Davis, Trelease; ~~Hay~~ Harper of Wisconsin &c. None of the Cambridge Crowd seemed to be in attendance.

Since then I've been busy at school work, and getting the necessary fagends of the meeting cleared away, and am now hoarse as a crow with an incipient cold, which I effectually checked last night. Home just had word that one of the Readings with whom I roomed in Washington was instantly killed in the train wreck at Terra Cotta, D.C. on the 30th last. It is a terrible blow to the family. All are well at home, and growling over this cursed January thaw. I intend to get in touch with Fellows regarding the Jocelyn Meeting for next year as soon as I can. If you see him at any of the Club Meetings, I wish you'd talk it over. I rather favor Oxford if we can get suitable accomodations. The whole thing is a cursed nuisance anyhow.

Regards to all of you.

E. B. Chamberlain.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
29 Jan. 1907.

Dear Collin:

I am too busy this week to even turn around slowly, but I have just received two letters from Dr Fellows regarding the next Jocalyn meeting and want to write you of it while the iron is hot. There seems to be a very decided preference as to date, and I suppose we shall have to decide on the traditional time, July 1-6, or else make it the last week of August. The latter is a more difficult time in which to secure hotel room, teams &c. and is by no means so good botanically. I don't like being away from home over the fourth, but shall probably have to bump it. If mother is in good health she may go with me this year. Now regarding place. Dr Fellows knows Physicians in ~~Oxford~~ Norway and in Bethel, who will probably be able to tell us something about the resources of each place. Bethel is a trifle too far away for many of the members.

I wish you would see what the Survey maps show regarding Oxford & Norway. I have no good maps of Maine here, and should find it hard to get ~~com~~ them. I should particularly like to know how the ~~traffic~~ transportation to Oxford stands, How far from Railroad, nearest station, ways of getting there &c. If we can reach some definite idea of the advantages & disadvantages of the three places, we can then get down to business. I wish you'd let me know your ideas in full on the subject. I believe you are chairman of the committee anyhow, I shall be at the meeting tho, and am willing to take the work there & to do much of the hotel correspondence &c. But

you will have to help me out with advice. Just what ought one to ask about in writing to a hotel keeper. Your savoir knowledge must come in play here. I shall hope for an exposé of all in your next letter. Knowlton may have some ideas too.

Jim, as I said, very busy here. The school work in chemistry takes up lots & lots of time. It's like a laboratory class in botany, when you have to get together all your material as you go along, & have nothing, either in equipment or knowledge to rely upon. But I think Jim making good.

Since the AAAS. meeting Jim had little in the way of news, save a bad cold which lasted about a week, and the fact that I've been able to use my micro just twice. My goodness, I can't seem to squeeze the time for that in edgewise! Saturday I took dinner with Dr & Mrs. Grout, who live some 12-14 miles from here in Brooklyn. They are very pleasant entertaining people, and I had a very enjoyable time, I've a better opinion of Prof A.J. than I had before, tho I still think he is careless about his work, but good lord, If one is to do anyt it must be done hurriedly these days, I've had it planned to get out a short paper on Cattarinaea Macmillani ever since Dec 1, & haven't had a chance even to peep at it.

Sorry I didn't see any of the Cambridge crowd at the A.A.A.S. but I couldn't attend some of the meetings when I should be most likely to see them. I should like to know who was here though. Everything is going famously at

home but it is cold as ———— 38°F. the other morning. Mother seems to be getting along better than usual, her eyes continue to improve. I suppose your mother has heard from her too.

I think that a week more will put my accessioning and indexing of mosses on hand up to date. Then if you wish I'll send you the cards for my Polytrichaceae etc. if you care for them, but it may be much longer than a week, I can't tell for certain. I have Grout's last fascicle & some 75 strays to accession, and about 100 packets to index in card catalogue. Then I shall be up to date, thank God, I am up in the 3600's now with numbers.

Well, shall be glad to hear from you at any time. Give my best regards to all the folks.

Yrs.

E. B. Chamberlain

519 W. 121st, N.Y. City,

Feby 3, 1907.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your letter about the Norway-Bethel-Oxford affair. My Century Atlas seems to show Oxford about 6 miles from Norway. If so we could easily drive over there some day, & see the lad, there. Norway is much more convenient as far as Railroad goes &c. Since Fellows knows physicians in both Norway & Bethel, I reckon some of the deciding between those places will have to be done by them, and as Oxford is off the railroad, I suspect that place is out of the question. I shall be glad to know what Knowlton thinks.

Wish I had known Lambert was at the AAAS meeting. He's the Lambert of Tufts isn't he. I met him at Kittery in 1905, and he is ok. Mrs. L is OK! too. I'll send the Poly tri-chaeae cards along as soon as I can, but it may not be so soon after all. I enclose two specimens for you, recently mined from A.L. Crockett. I think I am correct in saying that it is the first Maine record, & the farthest east for the species in N. Am. yet reported, also, that no other N. E. stations outside of Mass have ever been reported. If my data are correct, I should like to know, as I wish Miss C. to write a note for Rhodora or Bryol. on it. Do you think Robinson would accept such a note? — Busy here as with you, but I'm managing to keep pegging away a bit at a time on the moss question. It's a hard job to do two things at once however.

Well, I must write a lot more letters tonight so I'll cut this short. Regards to all. By the way just <u>what</u> is the Index Bryo. affair that came with the last Rev. Bryologique. I don't quite orient it, a Supplement to the 2d Edition?

Cordially,

E. B. Chamberlain

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City,
Feby 9. 1907.

Dear Collins:

Will you please look over the enclosed, and let me know what you think about it. I have written it out in detail, and rather formally. You may think it best to cut the thing down. Catharinea macm. has turned up in Connecticut, fide G.E. Nichols, but I haven't seen specimens as yet. I think it would be best to let Hotzings see the article before publication, don't you? I shall send it to Rhodora, as the Bryologist is full up, and I ~~want~~ also want to get good reprints &c. I had intended to publish a plate of the plant, showing plant, leaves, & sections, but a hard struggle today has proved to me that my apparatus here, is not sufficiently adaptable to make sketches which will reproduce on the proper scale, so that side of it will have to be given up I guess. Please criticise the whole thing, as to omissions & commissions and let me know your opinions. There are a few things yet that I want to go over in connection with the question, and I want to study over a few more specimens, which may possibly extend the range of the plant. I am also going to go through the N.Y. garden herb again to make sure there is nothing there, among the European species. Limpricht and Roth both say glatt, however, for the matter of the cells in their generic descriptions, while Eyler and Prantl describe no other papillose species. I shall be mighty glad of your criticisms, tho I know I ought not to take your time for it.

I have just heard from Miss Crocket, who seems to have some hesitation about publishing any note on Cath. crispa. and also wants to know why not publish in both Rhodora & Bryologist, curious state of feeling. I reckon she'll publish all right however. I have recently been over Rhodora, indexing. How did it happen that you didn't give Bursbaumia indumata an + for Mass in your check list? It's reported in Rhod. IV 239. and was Grout's report of Polytrichum Smithiae from Maine, (Bryol VI 42) also an error. I'd like to know, so as to note in card catalogue.

Letter from Dr. Fellows recently, says time and place of meeting of Jos, Soc, have to be decided, so as to announce in April. He hasn't seen his Norway or Bethel doctors yet, but sends me the names of the following hotels.
Norway: The Beals House, John A Woodman,
Oxford: Lake View House, Mrs J McKeith
Oxford Spring House, Miss Charlotte E. Fisher, He seems to favor the Norway Hotel, tho he says nothing definite.
Railway timetables show 11-17 minutes running time between Oxford & So Paris (Norway change). on Grand Trunk Ry, so driving distance ought not to be over 4 miles, even the local makes it in 15 minutes, and Grand Trunk locals, walk. If you think best I'll open correspondence with the various hotels, and see what could be done. But I should like some advice as what to write about. Personally I'm

beginning to set strongly in favor of Norway. The date will have to be the same old thing, July 1-6. as all the school teachers think that they must go then or not at all. Do you think we could count on an attendance of 25? What also about the formal programme, Shall we try to have some of the Bretonites deliver an "address," It has usually been customary. If Fernald isn't too engrossed in Gaspè or love making he might attend for a change, and play the lion. I know, one thing, I'm not going to committeize next year if I can help it, I'm too far from the scene of operations.

Not much going on here, only we had a devil of a snow storm, and there's plenty to give away yet, When a rain comes, it will be just hell getting around here, as the slush will be knee deep. Last Wednesday the principal at the school, Dr Koenig, asked me if I'd return next year, provided he gave me 1750 per annum, I haven't given formal acceptance as yet, but I have no doubt but that I shall accept, Then I shall have to make more definite plans for future living places than I have now, and perhaps mother can spend the winter with me, She is getting along pretty well at Cumberland however, in spite of all the snow and blow.

Well, I've been writing steadily for the last two hours and a half, and my hand is getting a bit tired,

Consequently I shall have to stop this, Let me know how things go, and give my regards to all the folks,

Ever,

E. B. Chamberlain.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City,
2-13-07.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your criticisms on Cattarinia macmillani. I appreciate them very much. I haven't had time as yet to cover the subject.

What do you advise me to do regarding a lens for micro drawings. You know I have no. 1. no 2 eye pieces, and 2/3 and 1/6 obj. the lowest power I can get is 45 diameters, much too large for leaves &c. If you have in mind any combination of a low eyepiece &c I'll be glad to hear of it. I think I can afford to get it if not over $8-10. My camera lucida won't fit any dissecting micro that I have. Would a Bruche lens do?

I have tonight written the three hotels in Norway and Oxford, regarding Jan. meeting and will let you know results. What are Miss Clark's ideas? Ellsworth should be kept in mind for 1908 or 1909 I think. It should prove good territory. 1908 Seymour and Ro

Portland and a grand affair, central (?) location, heap big dog.

Sorry you and Fernald can't dinner Gaspé, Some day, I too, will live in Arcadia, but for the next few years, I must stay at home summer, I've just had the offer, guess I wrote you, of the same place here for next year at $100 more salary I shall accept. I haven't forgotten your postal regarding Moxie Gorge. I'm going sometime, as well as to many other places.

Have you any Pontiadi's biformis? Quite a raft of stuff has recently come in from chapter members & I'm going over my whole outfit. The one we got at Presumpscot Gorge, Aug. 1902 is a good puzzle, probably Novae Anglia or B. formis, I have only glanced at it as yet.

All well here, save the principal at the school he's sick, & I have double duty.

Regards to all of you,

E. B. C.

519 W. 171 St. N. Y. City,

Dear C. 20 Feby. 1907,

I send you a letter just received. I have acknowledged it with thanks, the replies from the other hotels are yet to come, I think that we should doubtless find excellent accomodations at the place, tho I can't say at all. Please look it over, and let me have it based to Fellows. The rates I think are a trifle higher than it has been customary for the society to pay, we might get excellent service however, which would partially compensate.

Thanks for your information upon Buxbaumia indusiata, & Polyp. tomentosus, which I believe I failed to acknowledge last time. I'm ever so much obliged too for the camera lucida notes. My C.L. you know clamps to the microtube by a screw, and doesn't seem adjustable by spring as yours is. Moreover I can't use it with my dissector at all, I wrote B. & Lomb, who have offered to send me for examination a 3in objective, that may do the business for most things aside from very low powers, I need about a 5 or 20 for leaves, plants &c, especially for the former, I can get ±45 diameters easily with the no 2 eyepiece and 2/3 obj, and about 450 diam. by no 1 eyep, and 1/6 obj: no 2 with 1/6 gives 250, no 1 with 2/3 gives 90. These can be slightly increased by the draw tube. Its only with low powers that any trouble occurs. I've got to get a slide ruled to 1/10

m.m, and also some sort of a micrometer. probably I shall get a price to go in the express, which can be used by calculation & give results near enough, for ordinary micro-measurements.

I'm glad to note what you say about places deserving bryo work in Maine. Sometime I hope for a chance to get next to them, and have it in view, for a few summers I really don't see how I can however. Mother's health must first improve. Then I want to get just a little more knowledge of the general run of moss species. I find it slow, but whenever I do get a chance I try to get slides made of my authentic material. then they are <u>there</u> for study.

I have a very excellent slide heater, which a friend had made for me, copper tank of good size & works finely. — Your picture of Equisetum is OK! how did you get it.

I have succeeded in getting a specimen of Fontinalis hiformis from Mustmith. The present from the cascade in Falmouth, Aug 13, 1902, is F. novae Anglias, I think. But I have sent a bunch of it to Cardot.

Well, we have a holiday this week, tho mycoevenings are all spoken for I hope to get some work done,

Cordially, with regards to all,

E.B.C.

319 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
Feby 24. 1907.

Dear Collins:

Send another installement of replies from the hotel question. Norway hasn't been heard from as yet. Personally, this last reply doesn't impress me very favorably. The house sounds cheap; not by any means so good as that of the Oxford Spring House, unless the Norway man sends us a bang up letter, I think O. Ills for ours. The prices are not so very much different either. While there seems every prospect of much better service at the Oxford Spring Place. And remember prices, it is not much more than usual, Brigham & Rowe Pond cost 8.50 in hotel fares,* the Oxford Spring House charges would be 10.50 on the two in room 1.75 per day plan. Kittery, tho I haven't memoranda here was about 8.00 I think and we got wretched accomodations. I shall write Pellows this week and state the case, probably I shall wait until I hear from you. — I have made most of my drawings for Lath. Macmillani. The 3rd objection gives 12 and 24 diameters which covers about everything. How much do you advise putting in of the fruiting characters I can easily add pericarpe & cross section of capsule. I now have plant X2, plant (portion) X1, leaves, areolation, X section lamellae & section enlarged (450). planning to have all reduced 1/2 in the plate.

Nothing else doing, save that mothers eye is bothering her a good deal, and she is in Portland

when she can see the doctor daily. I think nothing serious is the matter, but I have not had very definite reports as yet.

Cordially
C.B.C.

Miss Brooks has written that she has received from you a copy of your Rhodora List with both Crispa marked with a mark cross for Conn. Has it been actually reported in Print? I shall let her report both C. crispa & C. Macmillani from Maine, according in my own work later. If there is no printed report for Conn, or if there is, just set her straight by a postal with you?

519 Fr. 121. Sr. 114 Cuby
Feby 5. 1907.

Dear Collins:

I send a letter of Dr Fellows. It is certainly very kind of him to take the trouble to write to Camden. Personally of course, I dont care where in blue blazes the Jor. Soc. meets. However I talked Camden at Rome Pond last year, and got the wet blanket, so I dont feel very enthusiastic about giving in to those who dont attend meetings. I have written Fellows the same, while stating that as far as I, personally, am concerned Camden will be OK. If he wants and we can get good rates, it might be worth while. I doubt if we could do as well as Oxford however. The Camden hotels are not particularly adapted for such things as side trips etc. in my idea. The cost of getting there would be higher for nearly all members, too.

Regarding your views for the committee next year, this is perfect accord. We will do our best to get good accomodations & rates. If the acc aren't good they will surely kick. Then if they don't let'em they can go plumb to merry hell — and get a new committee. It is too thankless a job to suit my taste, and moreover I live away so far from Maine, as you are too, that it is a long tedious job to get accomodations ready. I think someone else can have my berth next year. —— Have just heard of a copy of Braithwaite's Brit. Moss Fl. for $15 — Have written for it, provided it is in good shape and complete. I notice the German Lists price it from 90-110 Marks. I hope I have a bargain. Have recently bought 2d Edition Dixon & Jameson at a price far below retail, but can't say of whom or how much as

It was a private locker.

Nothing much doing here besides, must close as I want to get a few mosses mounted this evening.

Regards to all,

C.

You might write B.F. regarding bracket, etc —

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
5 Mch. 07

Dear P.

I judge you feel somewhat as I do about the Jocelyn Soc. affair. Personally I am absolutely indifferent - I don't care if they don't meet at all. I really think Oxford will be better than Camden, but I am perfectly ready to go to the latter if Fellows wants. I haven't heard from him since I wrote you last. Neither have I heard a word from the Norway hotel, either in reply to my letter of 13th Feby, or to my reply postal of 28 Feby. If no report comes by Mch 8th, I shall consider them barred out. The Lake View House doesn't sound as if it were good. That leaves only the Oxford Spring House, unless Fellows can show up something extra special at Camden, I say Oxford. There is the lime region of Rockland and Thomaston and the Camden Hill to be said in favor of the latter place tho, if good accomodation can be secured.

All well here, I shall be very busy for the next month probably as I have at present five hours per week extra tutoring. It nets me $3. per hour, and is very profitable. All taken together I am very glad to get it, as expenses have been heavy this year.

Mother as you probably know has been having a bad time with her eyes. The one on the

snow or some such thing caused considerable inflammation, and she had to be in Portland for a week under the doctor's care. It is much better now, and will probably be all right when summer comes. Her general health is good, but she really has mighty little reserve strength, and her eyes are in a much weakened condition so they gain very slowly. I do hope she is fit, by next year, as if possible I want her to come here for a part of the snowy season. Then if she likes I can make permanent arrangement for that sort of thing.

Drawings of Lath Macmilani proceed slowly. Just how much would you show. I have plant x 2, upper portion x 12, leaves x 24, section x 100 and x 450, apex x 100, cells, upper & basal, x 450 ~~magnify~~ Do you advise peristome, operculum &c. I shall be glad of your ideas.

Have you the letter, also, from the Lake View House, Oxford. If so did like it for Fellows. You might send it him direct.

Regards to all,

E.B.G.

519 W. 121st St. N.Y.C.
Mch 6, 07

Dear C:

I enclose the long delayed letter from Norway. What do you think. It looks to me more like a small commercial house, and that we can do better in Oxford. Please send the letter to Dr. F. with the request that he return it to me. I will keep a copy for reference.

As ever
E.B.C.

The rates are OK however and it may be well to take that into consideration. It would please the majority of our fellow members. We had best decide soon on Norway or Oxford. — Knowlton says the hotel is good, or do I underestimate him.

E.B.C.

59 W. 121, St. N.Y. City.
10 Mch, 1907.

Dear Collins:

I send you today a bundle containing the slide boxes you loaned me last August. I fear I have been altogether too negligent in returning them. Somehow, however, I simply didn't get to it. I reckon you know how good intentions get maltreated when teaching. A few days ago I bought a dozen from Bausch and Lomb, so now I'm fixed for the present. This summer, you know how I always plan on summer, I'm going to get all my slides in shape and shall be ready for biz. Just now I have the chance to make from ten to fifteen dollars a week tutoring and it is too good to be disregarded.

I have heard from Fellows regarding the Oxford Spring House. He thinks it all satisfactory. He enclosed two letters from Camden parties neither of whom offer anything either, one is merely a "summer hotel", pure and simple. Lord deliver us from it!

Consequently how would it do for you to see if Miss Clarke has any objections to the Oxford plan. I cast my vote for the Oxford Spring House. Then if all is satisfac

tory I'll close the deal there. Fellows will see the Grand Trunk R.R. and attend to rates. Next year they must have a committee who are resident in Maine, it takes up altogether too much time writing letters.

I can't find the Lake View House letter here, and am sure I didn't send it to Fellows. I think you have it somewhere. Your idea, as in your letter to Fellows which you quote hits me exactly. Damn this long range work anyhow.

I have just sent a package of mosses to Shutari Okamura, one of our Jap. members. He will shortly send me four Japanese species as an offering, and has also sent 25 for the chapter herbarium, dandy material. I hope I can in time build up an exchange bureau which will be of value. All as usual here; shall go home Easter week, and will see Fellows personally.

Regards to all,

EBL.

— thanks for ideas on Cerch, Macro, sketches.

519 W. 121 St. Mch. 13. 07.

Dear C:

I have heard from Fellows, who is in favor of Oxford Springs house, so guess it's settled. As soon as hear from you regarding their blank I'll write the hotels. – Glad you received the boxes OK. – You asked me to let you know to whom I send specimens of your Paludella appearing in Bryologist. To date I have sent to,

Canon Lett.
F. Renauld. see Bryol. for
S. Okamura addresses.

Cordially,

E. B. C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence.
R. I.

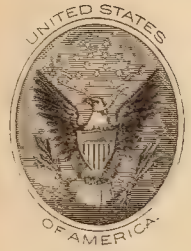
519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
18 Mch. 07.

Dear C.

Have rec'd the photos all right. Thanks very much for your kindness. I fear I am taxing your time too much. You have no idea what a kindness you are doing, as the only pictures of Uncle David Wilson, the old man, were burned last fall. I have written Fellows tonight, that the committee are unanimous for Belmont Lodge, & that I only await his approval to close the deal. I agree with you in the idea of having a field meeting pure and simple. The last "lecture" was rather a wearisome farce. Any informal talks of course are OK, but I don't think we can go for a formal lecture or address, when all are tired by a day's tramp. I will let you know of Fellows reply. Address me, Mch 28 - after 5 at Comb. Ctr.

Cordially,

E. B. C.



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Prof. J. F. Collins,

Brown University.

Providence, R.I.

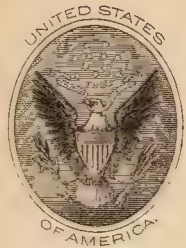
Dear C.

Have received a favorable reply from Fellows, and have tonight written Irpd Spring house closing the bargain. also have notified the others hotels. Sometime between now and Tuesday 30 I wish you would send me a memorandum of your ideas for meeting. I reckon I'll be there next week already. I leave here at 2. P.M. Thursday, Mch. 28. ; reach home Friday, am. Mother doesn't know I'm coming until Sat. P.M. Hope to surprise her.

Cordially,

E. B. C.

51 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
Mch. 21. 1907



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Prof. J. F. Colemis,

468 Hope St,

Providence, R. I.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City,
Mch 24, 1907.

Dear Collins:

I send you today by mail, the photos you wished me to return, and also for your criticism the drawings which I have made to date of Catharinaea Macmillani. I am heavily satisfied with that of the plant x 2, and not at all with that x 12. I have absolutely no knack in making drawings of this kind. I purpose to add a sketch of the peristome, and of the calyptra if I can secure one. By reducing 1/2 in reproduction they ought to fit into a Rhodora plate. but I haven't tried to arrange that as yet. You need not be in any hurry about going over them, I shan't want them again until after I return here April 7th.

As I wrote you I go home Thursday next, by close connections and taking a short nap in Portland I can get home early Friday morning. It will be the first chance I have had to be in Cumberland during the spring since I came here, and I plan to do a little collecting, especially among the pleurocarps, so as to secure operculate material.

Aside from the usual rush of work all is going on finely here. The principal Dr Konig went to the hospital Friday, to have his

appendix removed; he was operated on at 3 Pm. that day. it being just in time as the appendix was showing signs of a new attack. At last accounts he was doing finely.

His absence, makes me acting head of the school, and gives me a trifle more work to do, but an assistant has been engaged to take Dr K's classes, so matters are easier.

Regarding the photos, four will be enough, and I think the size is about right also. It might be well to trim them so as to avoid including mothers arm. I should doubt if you could enlarge them anymore without blurring.

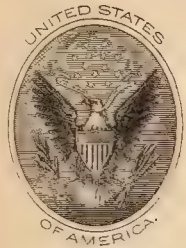
Well, I'll write you from Cumberland and let you know how matters are there.

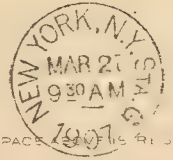
Dear C.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y.C. Mch 26/07.

Thanks for your postal. I get your edition. I have just received a postal from Mr. George R. Howe of Norway, a local botanist, inquiring about the meeting &c, and offering help. Wish we'd known of him before — Well, all is going on well here. I leave at 2 P.M. Thurs, going to Boston via Willimantic. Will write you from Cumberland if I'm not snowed in — the head winds there Saturday. Regards to all,

E. B. C.





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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R.I.

Cumberland Center, Maine,
April. 1, 1907.

Dear Collins:

We are in the midst of a jim-dandy old fashioned North east snowstorm to help out the idea of Lovely Spring. I had a sleigh ride Friday when I came home here and also expect others. The Snow is 2-3 feet deep in the woods yet. Really it is an exceptional year.

Thanks for the photos & the drawings, which are safe at hand. I am very much pleased with the photos. They will be a very welcome gift to the people. Thanks also for your criticism of the camera lucida drawings. I will make the changes that you suggest. I also think that I'll go over the

will write you.

Mrs. this must be all for the present. Will write as occasion comes up. Mother sends regards to you all — so do I.

E. W. Chamberlain

sketches with the other India ink, i.e. red-label. These were done in "white label."
Then I can scratch out as you indicate in the position of the plant X 12. I plant arrange the sketches on a big sheet before sending to Mr Robinson –
I have not seen Fellows yet, and may not do so until the very end of the work. I have yet to arrange plans.
I can't be up to the Club meeting anyhow, and probably can't see you in Providence. I shall probably not leave Portland until midnight Saturday, and go through to New York Sunday.
That will be about the only way this time for me to do.

Mother is in pretty good shape save for eyes. The sun on the snow is very bad – Even tho she wears smoked glasses in the house, I keep things very dark, the glare is at times too much. I hope that as soon as the snow goes, – if it ever does, – she will improve.
Thanks for the long delayed letter about the Lake View House, Oxford. I reckon the whole affair is settled now.
I have a letter from the Oxford Spring Sta. thus: "Will book your party from July 1–6 incl. Will you kindly let me know by ~~July~~ June 10, or not later than the 15, of the exact number in the party. We hope for 25 at least. RCT C." This last is a hard thing to guarantee. But I'll do the best I can. I'll see Fellows, and then

Cumb Ctr. Me —
Apr 5. 07

Dear J. F. C.

I send herewith Lieferungen ~~226~~ 227 and 8 of the Natürlichen Pflanzenfamilien. Hope you receive it ok.. I will charge the same on account. The bill only reads 3 marks each, which is unusually cheap for a double fascicle.

All well here, and the snow is at last going to leave us no one seems to feel sorry in the least. Saw Dr Fellows and Norton yesterday both of them are in good health. Dr F. & N. say with you field meeting wholly for Oxford, Dr F will attend to r.r. rates, and advise me. Then I will fix up return postcard notices and mail them so as to receive as many answers as possible in May.

I enclose a letter from Miss Fisher & p.c. from another man, Will you see what you think of em, then send them to me in N. York, as I want to answer them the first of the week. Sorry I cant stop over in Providence to see you all, and sorry too I cant be at the N. E. club tonight, but its no go.

All as <u>usual</u>, with regards

E. G.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
8 April 1907.

Dear Collins:

I'm sorry I overlooked the enclosures in my last letter. I'll put 'em in this one if I don't forget it. I'll answer the whole outfit, and trust all will be successful. There's nothing special to do about 'em anyway. Dr Fellows is to get rates from the railroads, and let me know. Then I am to send each postal card notices, or reply postals, in the hope of getting some definite information regarding those who may plan to come. Aside from that all is lovely here. School has begun again for the final lap of the race, and I am busy again. Have received a bid to Fernald's wedding breakfast; they will probably have a hot dog time. I hope his marriage does not have an injurious effect upon his botany, at least after the first month or two, of course it will for a while.

Well, all's well here, and I hope it's the same with you.

Cordially,

E.B.C.

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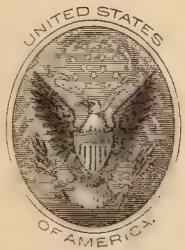
519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
Apr. 9. 1907.

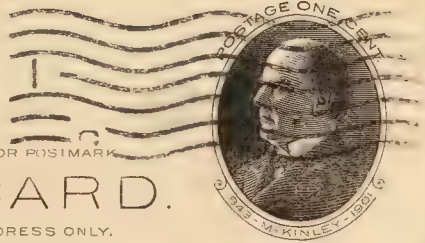
Dear C:

Sometime when you are not otherwise occupied I wish that you would let me know the formula that Norman Mason uses in making his glycerine jelly: I want it partly for myself, partly for some friends (H. Dupuy especially) who have become interested in making micro-mounts. No news here — all has bogged down in this — — — weather.

Cordially,

E. B. C.





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Prof. J. F. Collins,
Brown University.
Providence, R.I.

Dear C:

Mrs Smith transmitted to me your request for March offering her supply being exhausted. I send by separate pkge. The camp to the cinn was all gone, so I snitch a bit from my own.

E.B.C.

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Prof. J. F. Callins.

468 Hope St.,

Providence, R.I.

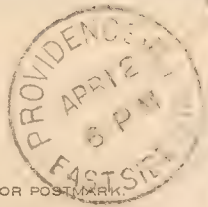
BROWN UNIVERSITY
DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY
PROVIDENCE, R. I., U. S. A., 12 Apr. 1907

Dear C. I do not know Mason's exact formula for glyc. jel. but suppose it is the regular Kaiser formula which is

1 part (weight) gelatine soaked in
6 parts water add
7 " glycerine
1% phenol. (i.e. 1 part to 99 of above)
warm & stir for 10 or 15 minutes
filter.

Mr. Mason is not now living, in Providence, but somewhere in N.Y. state.

J.F.C.



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Mr. Edw. B. Chamberlain
519 W. 121 st
New York City,

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
21 Apr. 07.

Dear C:

The letters we came safely. I have just sent Dr F. outline for ~~the~~ Jos. Soc. circular to be issued last of April.

I have also suggested to Mr. H. Dupuet of Montreal that he send you a specimen of a moss which he and I think to be either H. gigantum or H. Richardsoni. It looks to me nearer H. gigantum. I hope my doing so won't bring down on a world of trouble on your head.

All going as usual ~~here~~. Monday the shaving down process for exams begins & I expect absolutely no peace.

Cordially,

E.B.C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,

46 Hope St.,

Providence.

R. I.

Josselyn Botanical Society

of Maine

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Josselyn Botanical Society will be held at Oxford, Maine, from Monday to Saturday, July 1-6, 1907, inclusive. The headquarters of the society will be held at the Belmont Lodge Hotel, Oxford. Boats upon Thompson Lake will be at the disposal of the party and it is planned to make one all day excursion upon the lake. An opportunity will also be given to visit the famous orchard swamps at Hebron. To secure the favorable rates given below, it is absolutely necessary to know immediately how many members will attend. You are requested, therefore, to communicate your plans to the undersigned at once, whether planning to attend or not. Reduced rates of 1¾ cents per mile have been secured on the Maine Central Railroad, and it is expected that a similar rate will obtain upon the Grand Trunk Railroad.

Hotel Rates:

One in room . . .	$2.00 per day
Two " " . . .	1.75 per day

EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,

38 West 59th Street, New York City.

April 30, 1907.

Dear PC. 519 W. 121 St is home address, lasts till June only. 38 W. 59th St. is school & permanent. What the devil did the printer mean by an "orchard swamp" above? I sent typewritten copy, OK,

EBC.

519 West 121 St, N.Y. City,
May 4, 1907.

Dear Collins:

At last! the article on Cath. Macmillani is done, & goes to Dr Robinson Monday. I was to have gone to Poughkeepsie to visit a friend in Vassar today. We agreed however that I should not come of it rained. So what did it do but rain, cats, dogs, & all other animals until 11 o'clock, then clear off finely. Damn! However, no milk is spilled without the cats getting some cream. I buckled down to the Catharinaea this morning, got the article typewritten, arranged the drawings, went over the evidence in the plants themselves again, and now its done.

I have two notes yet for Rhodon. Cardot has determined that peculiar Fontinalis from the gorge brook at Presumpscot falls, Falmouth as probably F. Cardoti Ren., absence of fruit renders certain identification impossible as yet. The cell walls of our plant are thinner than in the original specimen.

Also, while examining possibilities for Cath. Macmillani I have found C. crispa from Rhode Island, Providence, coll S.T. Olney in 1845, as C. undulata minor. It's in good fruit, and tho I had but a single plant, I am quite sure of the identification. This was ten years before James published the species. It would be well to look over the Olney material in the Bot. Club.

It won't take very much time to run the notes off on a typewriter I can borrow here, then they can use 'em

during the summer,

Thanks for the Dupont note, I was inclined to say P. Hypnum giganteum, but finally compromised on H. giganteum ad H. richardsoni accedens, which well displayed my knowledge of Latin & left the door open for a sidestep. He is a bang up collector, and if you get in with him you will receive many interesting things.

Those darned Fossiling Society circulars are still at printers, I sent em a note today, calculated to make their drowsy intellects sit up and take notice, If I don't get the pkge Monday, I'll go down & damn the office boy. We get reduced rates on M&K R, and very reduced on G Trunk, I shall send notice to active members N.E. Bot Club, & to a lot of Maine Newspapers, Hope we can get a good attendance, but I don't intend the committee of arrangements, if I can help it, next year, The meeting ought to go East anyhow, Ellsworth & have Mrs Clark do the fixings.

All well here, but work pressing on hard, All well at Cumberland, save that the boy mother has had with her, has a position as bookkeeper in Canada, so m, will be alone and she is nervous as a witch over it, Wish she could come here, but at present expenses make it out of the question, Perhaps I can arrange it for next year so she will be here three months, I hope so. Regards to all,

E.B.C.

519 W. 121 St. N.Y. City
May 11, 1907.

Dear Collins.

Your No 2972 is Fontinalis lewdoti. Inclose some of the Catarinaea Crispa from R.I. for you which Mrs. Britton asked me today to send to you. Please write her a note in thanks, it will tickle the old lady. I also found at N.Y. Bot. yesterday some C. crispa collected in Wm Mitsby Austin in 1872. As soon as the school rush is over, I shall send a note to Rhodora on it & I may. I shall examine the specimens first myself.

Just now I'm busy busy. Tutoring four hours per week, and expect gem three to five hours more from now on. It leaves no time for messes, but pays me three pennies for every hour, which is not to be laughed at at all. A month's hard work will pay a good many bills.

Regards all, Do all you can to boom the Soc. Meeting. Wish you could be there, we must have 25. persons there, tho I don't see now where they will come from.

Cordially,

E.B.C.

Robinson and has been accepted with thanks, now for the charms of authorship.

Well, hope for the best, and after this year we can let the J.C. go to Halifax.

Regards to all,

E.B.S.

519 W. 121 St. N. Y. City,
May 19, 1907.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your postal. I'll look into the Lactarinaea next summer, I haven't time now. There's one point, at least, in favor of C. undulata, in the Olney Specimen. It has teeth on the back of the leaves. This I noticed in going over the plant. I was particularly struck however by the small size of the lamellae. I'll endeavor to go over the whole matter next summer, and come to some decision.

The present outlook for the Josselyn meeting is rather blue. Only about a

dozen members have signified their intention of coming. Many have written no, definitely. Out of 25 replies 50% have been unfavorable, and most of those were people I counted on as sure to attend. The active membership is only about 50, I thought it was over 80. I don't know about the hotel people; I wrote them that I expected about 25, and Fellows agreed with me in that. They may not be willing to make their rates as quoted for only 15. However I can't borrow worry from that score. I've too much to do. But this is the last year I can take such a job, it brings my work in a bunch at the end of the year

My personal opinion is that the Soc. Soc. had best dissolve unless a larger number of persons show some interest. Then those who really care for things can arrange little trips by themselves and save expenses in that way.

As the old maids of the outfit want is to get a 50 cent a day place, where they can have the "beautiful flowers" brought in to them!

By the way, a report from the Bryophyte committee will be due at the meeting, will you run off something to serve in lieu of our oral report.

My article on Cactaceae has gone into

519 West 121 St, New City.
June 8, 1907.

Dear Collins:

I'll snatch a moment, while leisure allows to tell you of plans, well being, &c. On and after June 15th address me at Cumb. Ctr. School closes then and I leave as soon as may be thereafter going directly home. Next year my address will probably be 503 West 121 St, but to avoid difficulty you had best remember that 38 West 69 St, always hits me.

Business is pushing here. The last fortnight at the school is given over to examining for examinations and is full of work. I am giving also two private lessons every afternoon and one every evening, so I have no spare time at all. Today I've been getting things packed up, so that all I have to leave here can be sent to the warehouse for storage this next week. Next Saturday I shall have to pack trunk and see what can be done towards getting away on Sunday night's train, but I'm not sanguine of it. I get no time to pack stuff during the week as a rule.

Fernald wrote me last week that he might be at the Jocelyn meeting, does that mean no Gaspé? The Jocelyn outlook is rather slim anyhow. Not over 12 members have written that they will attend and in consequence the hotel has had to withdraw the $1.75 rate, making a rate of $2.00 flat, with 2.25 for certain rooms, (regular rate for the latter $4.00 daily). If you are able to come along, I hope you'll do so. I shan't stand for any committee work next year. It brings that

rush of work on me in June when I am the very busiest, and find it hard enough work to keep things going anyhow. I shall suggest Ellsworth or some place where we have members for the next meeting, then let the "locals" get in their deadly work.

The article on Cath. Macmillan has gone, been proofed, and will appear in the next Rhodora. The plate came out very well, although I see several ways in which I could have bettered the sketches must profit by it in the future.

All is quiet at Cumberland and looks like easy going. The only thing bad is cold weather, which has kept everything back and all are gloomy over gardens & such. Mother is in quite good health, and will be in good shape, I hope, after the summer is over. Today, by the way is the first taste of real summer weather that we have had here.

Well, here's hoping that you are all well, When I get home, I shall have time to think, and not have to live continually on the jump.

Regards to all,

E.B.C. —

Cumberland Center, Maine.
June 20, 1907.

Dear J.M.

I'm at home again, arrived Monday, and full of work. The garden needs attention, I have lots of unpacking and arranging to do, there is the Jocelyn work and there are many other things to do. So all this is to be in a note. I'm sorry that you and Fernald will not be at Oxford, there is a prospect of 15 persons there now.

I really hope that you all will get tired of the Gaspé and spend your summers in God's country before long. Just send me a list of your places of stoppage and I'll let you know how things go here.

I'll gladly attend to the matter of securing for you the Chapter offerings during the summer, I always have extras anyhow.

I'm glad to report that mother seems better than she has for several years. Her general health is much better, she has less rheumatism and as a result the eyesight is improving. She will probably go to Oxford with me in July. Aside from that there is very little news. School closed amid a blaze of glory.

I hope this week to get things settled here, and fixed so that I can get to work on some things I have

planned out for the summer,
As usual
E.B.L.

Cumberland Junction

Cumberland Center, Maine.
June 23. 07.

Dear Collins:

While I think of it, will you loan me your copy of Hindberg's "European and North American Bryinea" for the summer? Send it down by Express at my expense, I want to give its lists of newspecies a thorough overhauling.

There is nothing in the way of news here, but that we are at last having some genuine summer weather, two days have really been hot. The gardens feel the difference and the weeds are growing like hot cakes.

I enclose my July offering for Bryologist, at least as far as the main things go, I may have Distichium from Huston B&P Bacls, but know you won't care for that. There is a little uncertainty about my next offering anyhow, and I hope that a special delivery letter sent yesterday will fix things all right.

Well, I go to Oxford Saturday next, and I suppose that you start about the same time. If any of your people are in Maine this summer I hope that you will give us a call. I hope you can stop off here on your way back from Gaspé. With regards to all of you, from both of us —

Ever, E. B. Chase

Cumberland Center Me. June 26 07

Dear Collins:-

Thanks for your card I certainly hope that you will have a good time this summer; I thought tho' that you were going further down the peninsular. You won't be in Gaspe at all will you? I will do my best to head off any Office at the Jocelyn meeting. There will be only 10 members present and I shall try to have the question of elections left until a later date of some such thing.

In regard to a trip for you and I later in the summer, I can't say as yet,; if mother's health is good and there isnt too much else that has to be done, I should like to go very much. The trip will have to be inexpensive however,and not a very long one as I shall be busy in the fall and have to go down east to see cousinsand such. If you know by the first of Aug. or thereabouts what you are likely to do just write me and I shall be able to say then what I can do.

Well this is all for now, I shan't send this until afternoon and may add a line later.

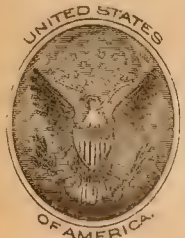
As usual E.B.C.

Nothing more doing, except that Morton has a whole man more for Jocelyn doc, making 13 or 14, I'm not sure which. E.B.C.

Small crowd (11) Fine place, good time.
You will be free of committee.
Please ask Mr. F. status of *Lupinus perennis* in Maine we have patch ½ mile long, let me know by postal Yr Comb.
Luck to you all.

E.B.C.

Busy for



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POSTAL CARD.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
Camden Hotel,
Rue Pres Quebec.

Cumberland Center Maine, July 8,1907,

Dear Collins:-

I am just home from the Josselyn trip and find the two cards from you awaiting me. The copy of Kindberg came all right during my absence, and was held for me, so that I got it today. Ifound that mother was resting so much at Oxford that I stayed over with her until today, and incidentally got on the track of a good many interesting plants. I got Thuidium Blandowii in good fruit for the Groutian exsiccatae. In regard to the trip this summer, I cant tell as yet, as I don't know where I stand as regards the last one yet. But I'll try and let you know soon. I am personally in favor of a short trip near home. Just now I am trying to get the best of a week's arrears of letters, and have to go away all day tomorrow too so you will pardon a stop now. With the kindest regards to Fernald and the best wishes for your success this summer,

Very tryly yours,

E.B.Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Maine.

July 21, 1907.

Dear Collins:-

I have been thinking over the proposition that you made about going to the Somerset Co. places, for this fall, and on the whole I think that I better not try it. The reason is mostly financial. You see, the trip to Oxford was quite expensive, as we did not get just the rates advertised, because of the small attendance, then I took mother along as a birthday presentfor her. I was the first outing that she has had in twpo or three years . Besides that there are several things that must be bought before I go back to N.Y. and I must take a short trip to the Bristol pe people. As I see it there are about $75 coming besides any incidentals, and a trip is not to be thought of this year.

What I do want tho , is for you to come here for a wek on your way back. Or if you prefer we can arrange for a two or three days trip to Rockland and that region I think th that could be done If you can come here for a week, we will plan on that. It will be a new part of the state for both of us. At least we can look the ground over. We can make headquarters here and go for a couple of days.

I am busy at work on the list of plants for the account of the Josselyn Meeting, as there is to be a report issued and sent to the members, just to show them what they missed. So f r I have not found anything startling, possibly a few good sedges, that is all and a few things that I shall try to get the Gray Herb people stirred up with. There is a crucifer here that has me stuck It has thick fleshy spatulate entire leaves small creamy white flowers and long ascending

square pods. the leaves all save the very lowest clasp the stem as do the leaves of Brassica campestris, but none of them are at all cut as in that plant. Then the whole plant is very glaucous and fleshy more like a cabbage that anything else. I came up in a mans garden, and he saved it for me, then yesterday I found another plant along the railroad track. I cant find anything in any of my books that hits at all near it. I have a lot of Thuidium Blandowii for the fight honorable Ph. D. Grout,@./.A.J.s series, as I think I wrote you last time. Then on a trip to the Presumpscot Gorge where ~~yeuvabd~~- you a and I found the funnyv Fontinalis, I found some fruit of it. I hope that it turns out to be F. Cardoti. The same place has yeilded a lot of novelties in the flowering plant line, Myosotis verna, Geranium Carolinianum !! &c

Well let me know what you think about matters abd h things, and be sure to stop here a while on your trip back. You wrote as though you would be through with the -Gaspe by the first of Aug. All are well here and send regards, please remember me to Fernald.

As ever,

E B Chamberlain

Dear Collins: 7 Sept. 07

More trouble, Mrs C a go yesterday, the 9th to be exact, mother fell down a hole in the garden and sprained her ankle very severely. She won't be able to walk for five weeks yet, for three she won't be able to put her foot to the ground. So, I'm tied up here at home, I haven't succeeded yet in getting a hired girl, but hope I shall be successful. School opens Wednesday the 25th. I plan on leaving here next Sunday, on the through New York express, and arrive there early Monday Morning. So I shall not see you all in Providence, I'm too busy to do anything except the absolutely necessary just now, There's enough of that. I had planned to have all this work for loafing and enjoying the full moon &c, But I reckon it is nit nit this time.

My address had best be 38 West 59 St N.Y. City for the present, later on I'll let you know the home address. Hope you all are well,

With cordial regards to all of you from both of us,

Cordially
E.B.C.

Providence, R.I. Oct. 9,1907.

Dear Chamberlain:-

I find that I have not written you since your letter of the 7th of Sept. came. We were all very sorry to hear of your mother's mishap and sincerely hope that she has fully recovered before this. I was intending to have written you within a few days after your letter came, but I was so rushed with work that I have let the matter slide from day to day. As you probably know mother wrote to Cumberland Center within a few days after we heard of your mother's accident. We have not heard how she is getting along but they say "no news is good news" and we hope this occasion is no exception to the saying.

When you get a chance I shall be glad to hear of anything in the news line which has happened since I saw you last.

With me it has been much the same as with you, I imagine, busy, busy, BUSY. I have one of the fullest schedules this term that I have ever had. I have to be at the laboratory every hour in the forenoon, every day in the week except the first two hours Thursday morning. I also have to be there regularly three afternoons.

This is my first day of this way of writing. As yet it is not very rapid, but that comes only with practice. I have an Oliver on trial for a month. I don't like this particular machine so I may not keep it more than a month.

I am just experimenting to see if I can learn to writewith it rapidly enough to pay for getting one. I am quite undecided between a n Oliver and an Underwood. I rather think I prefer the latter, but the former is a little cheaper. D o you know anything about the Underwood, either for or against?

We had a fierce old storm here night before last and yesterday forenoon, it blew gre at guns and rained in torrents. Trees, branches, etc., were the principal sufferers. It was an extremely warm and "humid" storm, but tonight,as well as last night, is quite cold. Perhaps you have had the same storm in New York.

Are you doing any thing with the mosses yet? I have had no time to do any work on them since college opened and I see no prospect of doing any for some time to come.

We are all pretty well here, that is for us.

Shall be glad to hear from you any time.

Very truly,

503 West 121 St, New York City.
~~10~~ 9. Oct. 1907.

Dear Collins:-

I believe I have not acquainted you with my whereabouts yet. I've been so confoundedly busy, that there has been no time for letter writing. I expect you, too, have been in about the same box. As you see by the heading, my address has shifted since last year, for the better I hope, tho in some ways for the worse. The room has not so pleasant an outlook, nor is it quite so large. In fact being 10x14, and having a good sized bed, I have left all my mounted moths at home, and have here simply a few unnamed packets which I hope to work up this winter. The situation however is good, and is in the same house in which I board; quite a convenience in winter.

I am, after January, out of the Moths Chapter office, and Dr. J. C. Fuge of Seattle will henceforth preside over that August Assemblage. I think I have been in long

enough; and, while the office takes very little time, there is a certain amount of responsibility about it which I wish to be free of. I hope now that I can begin to devote my spare moments to my <u>own</u> work.

School has opened favorably, with an increased attendance. This really means little more work for me since I am familiar enough with the ground. I shall have a little less spare time as I have taken two private pupils for the year; one Monday & Thursday afternoons, the other Tuesday and Thursday evenings. It requires no preparation, merely the extra time from otherwise leisure moments, but it is very profitable.

Thus far I have done little except to get my room more or less in order, and get the odds and ends of school work picked up into shape. The latter is fast becoming easy to handle. I hope soon to be able to put some time upon straight "play-work."

News from home, as you have doubtless heard through your mother, is fairly satisfactory. Mother has a good girl with her

who is faithful and takes good care of things, even tho her strong point is not cooking. I hope ~~to~~ that mother will be all right by Thanksgiving, tho the foot is still very feeble, and she will have to be careful for a long time. We hope she can board part of the snowy season with friends in Gorham or Westbrook

Let me know how things go in Providence and remember me to all the folks.

Cordially,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

503 West 121 St. N. Y. City.
18 Oct. 07.

Dear Collins:

I reckon you and I are in the same boat as to being busy, tho' I am beginning to get ahead of my work to some extent, and can now catch up on letters.

This coming year I shall keep track of all the "offerings" of the Sullivant mos chapter, but Prof T. C. Frye of Seattle will be president. Do you think you can, sometime during the year, make an offering. You certainly have some good things of the Gaspean trip. 25 packets will probably be ample.

Regarding typewriters, I have never used an Underwood; my experience being on Remington, Hammond, Fay-Sho, Oliver & Blickensderfer. I prefer the Oliver to any of them, but may rent a Blick, for this winter on account of its small size. The Underwood comes most excellently recommended by many people, and seems to be popular with business people. I reckon there is little against it. I think it has some characters that are exclusive, but I can't say from experience. I hope you will get it com-

thing suitable and satisfying.

No - haven't done a thing on moses of late, and really hope to for a week longer. Work is beginning to come easy however, and I hope that there may be a chance ere long. This last half week I've had a rip-roarer of a cold, and have done as little as possible, Vigorous inhalation treatment has fixed it tho.

All's going on nicely here and at home. Mother seems to be gaining steadily, and I hope she will soon be walking with a cane.

Give my regards to all the folks

Cordially,

E. B. Chamberlain.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 21, 1907

Dear Chamberlain:

Yours of the 18th has just arrived. I am interested in what you say in regard to typewriters and I would like to make some inquiries about the Hammond and the Blickensderfer. These are two machines in which I have been somewhat interested; even before I knew much of anything about any other make. I have never used either however. I hope you can find time within a few days to give me your opinion of these two. Do you think the Blick. is a good all round machine, as it is advertised? Of course I understand that advertisements are primarily to sell machines, but I have heard this machine well spoken of by those who use it. What is your opinion of the type wheel and the ink roll ascompared with the type bar and ribbon? Is not the Hammond another type wheel machine? Do you know abything about the price of the Hammond? I think A. W. Evans has one of these machines and I believe he likes it very much. If you can give me your candid opinion in regard to both, would be greatly obliged. I have had this Oliver for about two weeks and I want to get my ideas somewhat crystallized in regard to other makes before the first month is over. The price of the Blick. appeals to me very forcably and if it will do the work I don't know why it is not a good one to consider. How about speed on it? What do you think of the Blick. Scientific Keyboard as compared with the Standard?

I think I can offer a moss or two during the winter, but not immediately. Everything about as usual here.

Cordially,

Dear C:

I have just heard of a typewriter which is said to be perfectly practical, cost $15. and I am now investigating it. You might write them. The Junior Typewriter Co, 92 Worth St. New York City. I suspect it is n.g. But it is only 10 x 5 x 2 in. weighs 3½ lbs. &c &c. I shall hope have the chance to try it soon, & will let you know.

Cordially
E. B. C.

503 W. 121 St. N.Y. City. 21. Oct. 07.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence.
R.I.

Dear C:

I send you by mail today. Lfg 229 of Engler & Prantl, just arrived. Will write soon about typewriter. I disappear with "Scientific Keyboard" practically.

EBC,

38 W 59th St
Oct 27/07

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Prof. J. F. Collins,
46 Hope St.,
Providence R.I.

Providence, R. I., Oct. 30, 1907

Dear Chamberlain:

One of my women students, a graduate, asked me today if I knew anything about the New York schools; that is as regards the possibility of getting a chance to teach in one of them. I told her that I did not, but I knew a man who could probably tell me something about them and I would write to him about the matter. You are the man! Can you give me any information? She seems to have a preference for the natural sciencesand is studying with ~~that~~ the idea of fitting for that kind of work I believe.

Perhaps you know something of the "red tape" or of the necessary preliminaries leading up to a possible appointment. If so I hope it will not be too much trouble for you to give me a little information on the subject when you are writing.

I acted upon your suggestion and wrote the "Junior Typewriter" people and today got a reply with an inclosed descriptive circular. It is certainly small enough and cheap enough, but is it good enough? Have you had a chance to see it or to try it yet?

We are all as well as usual here. I hope your mother still continues to improve.

Cordially yours,

503 West 121 St. N.Y. City.
Oct 30, 1907.

Dear Collins:

I'll begin a letter to you anyhow, tho' I may not have the time to finish it this evening. First regarding typewriters. My advice is 1st Underwood 2d Oliver, of the visible machines. Remington of the others. My knowledge of the Underwood personally is nothing, but the commercial teacher at the school on whose judgement I rely greatly, says it is the best. The Remington is undoubtedly the best of the non-visible writers. He also recommends the L.C. Smith, (not the Smith-premier). It has a bicolored ribbon if you want it. I know nothing of it personally.

The disadvantage of the Oliver is that it hasn't exactly a standard keyboard, the very near that, and also the position of its type makes the inking of heads & sleeves very common, girls in offices will not use it on this account

The Underwood is far from this.

The Hammond is an excellent machine, and is the only one which has type furnished with accents. Hence it is used largely in offices which have foreign (French, Spanish) correspondence. It is also the only machine, I think, which provides for an absolutely even touch, that is, the type bars are all of the same length, and so you do not as in the Oliver, strike the outer letters harder, forcing periods &c through the paper. Its price is the same as the others, 100 I think, but you can probably pick up a 2nd hand A.1. machine for about $50.

The advantage of buying any of the 3 or 4 standard makes is that they are always salable, at a price between 40 and 60 dollars. By standard I mean Underwood, Remington, Oliver or Hammond.

The Junior, of which I wrote you last week is only a plaything. I have examined it thoroughly.

Of the cheaper machines, a Blickensderfer is the only one worth considering, and in that don't pay any attention to their Scientific Keyboard. Its all rot, and absolutely spoils you for any other machine. It does do good work, is light, portable (7½ lbs & trunk), & practical. But being a type-wheel machine, when the inked type does the printing instead of a ribbon. It requires a much harder touch & bang to get good results. It is the only practical portable machine, however, and I have tried it a good deal. I do not like the touch however. The same defect is inherent in all type wheel machines, (as I remember the Hammond is a type bar & ribbon). I think a bar, ribbon, machine much preferable for the purposes of speed and ease. The fatigue of the others (type wheel) is considerable. I know the Blick & be a good machine however.

I want to get a typew. myself soon, as present I cannot afford even a 2d hand machine, but may buy before the year is over. Go slow, and investigate is my idea. I strongly advise you to go to some reliable typewriter exchange, and see what you can do on 2d hand machines, also see the offices of the regular machines on the same topic they usually have a few which they will put in good shape, & sell at a reduced price, £8 to £10.

I can't write more now, but hope this will be helpful. Thanks for your offer about mss. openings. I'll bear it in mind. My regards to all of you

Cordially,

E.B.P.

Providence, R. I., October 31, 1907

Dear Chamberlain:

I have just received your letter in regard to the typewriter matter, and I wish to thank you very much for your trouble in ~~the~~ connection with the same. I had a little suspicion that the Junior was something of a toy. This afternoon I have had a chance to look over an Underwood. Owing to the fact that I have become somewhat familiar with the Oliver in the last month I was able to see quite a number of points in the Underwood which are certainly superior to the Oliver. The position of the type is, as you say, better and the writing is all visible, not hidden at either end by the two stacks of type. The release key, the autoratic spacer, the marginal stops, and the carriage in general are decided improvements to my mind. The type action too is a most decided improvement: there is a quick snap at the last end of the stroke that I like. It seems to me that the key action is certainly 50% easier, and I am not sure that it would not be as much as 75% easier if accurate tests were made.

I shall probably let this machine go back to the agent at the end of its month of service and hire an Underwood for a month and see how that works. I think your advice to go slowly and look around is good advice, it is what I had planned to do.

The Underwood which I tried this afternoon had the Elite type. I think I like that better than this Pica. It seems to me it is neater and it is certainly a little smaller and somewhat more compact. Probably you know all about it however without any description of it from me.

Cordially yours,

503 West 121 St, N.Y. City,

Nov. 3. 1907.

Dear Collins:-

Your letters are at hand. I do not know very much about the N.Y. Public School system, except that one has to pass an examination to enter, & that the pay is good once you are in it. I can find out through Miss Clark I think, and will do so at my earliest opportunity. Meanwhile I advise your pupil to write to the Board of Education, New York City corner 59th St & Park Ave. from which she can probably secure the official details needed. I think there is some red tape about it, previous experience needed, but I am not aware of the normal training.

I'm glad you found my letter on the typewriter effective. I think your choice will be between Underwood & Blickensderfer, and if you can afford the former the latter isn't in it for a moment. In this year, I expect I shall not be able to attend for the fencing. I have several other things more imperative. ∴

Will you please send me a sample or two of

the catalogue cards you use to keep track of the books bought or desired. I know you have some such systems and I have a friend who is anxious to build up a general desiderata list along such lines. There's no hurry about it.

I'm glad to say that mother continues to make steady improvement, and that she is now likely to be able to go around with a cane before long. She is able to go over the lower part of the house on crutches at pleasure. The whole thing has been very tedious and wearing for her.

No especial news here, save that I've been very busy indeed the past week, so much that I have hardly had time to read letters that have come in.

As usual, with kind regards to all of you,

E.B.C.L.

468 Hope Street, Providence,

November 4, 1907.

Dear Chamberlain:

Thank you for the information in regard to the N. Y. Public Schools. If you happen on any more that might be of use to a possible applicant I hope you will let me know.

I am inclosing two cards of the kind you inquired about. One of them is filled out exactly as is one which I took at random from my card index, so far as the black ink is concerned; the red does not represent anything in particular except to show you the use which might be made of certain other spaces on the card under other possible circumstances. You will, of course, understand that certain portions of the black ink memoranda could not have been filled in until after I received the book. See back of card.

You will see that ~~that~~ I use the regular standard ruled card, which is no special advantage perhaps, except that that ruling can always be readily obtained almost anywhere.

We are all glad to hear that your mother is getting along so nicely, even if it is slowly.

Cordially,

503 West 121 St. N.Y. City,
11 Nov, 1907.

Dear C:

Thanks very much for the cards and hints, I hope to use them, and have already transmitted the information to Mr. Morris:

I'll find out in a day or two, all I can about the N.Y. Schools, and let you know. I believe applications do not have to go in until May.

I enclose the last Bryol offering, they are the same as Holzinger's exsiccatae. You may lets an autograph label from Hagen however,

All booming here as well as usual, Mother is getting along nicely. Give my regards to all. Wish you success on your Gaspé lecture in Portland,

Cordially
E.B.L.

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38 West 29th St. New York, 17 Nov 07.

Dear Collins:

I shall be very much obliged if you will cast your eye over the enclosed report and return the same to me with your criticisms. It does not have to be at Mrs Smith's until Dec 1.

Business is going on finely here, but that's about all. I seem to have no time for anything else.

Cordially,
E. B. C.

Providence, R. I., 18 Nov. 1907

Dear Chamberlain:

I have looked over the inclosed ms. and have nothing to suggest except the insertion of a comma.

I had the pleasure of dining last night at Dr. Fellows' with Professor Lee. We had a nice long talk immediately after supper. As president of the Portland Society of Natural History he introduced me. Everything went off nicely. The house was FULL. The Portland Press gave a column and a half this morning with BIG HEADLINES.

The irrepressible Stubbs was there and he immediately tackled me with "I've got a plant here that I want you to identify for me. I got it on the battlefield of Gettysburg." He fished out a large envelope and then from that a tiny snip from the top of a composite which was about an inch and a half long. It had nothing but bare ~~involucres~~ receptacle and reflexed involucre scales; not a vestige of flowers or fruit. He said "Well I had some fruit on it when I started, I guess it is in my pocket, I'll find it in a minute". He then began to fish out various masses of lint, papers, and various other things, such as only Stubbs would ever expect to have in his pockets, in order to find the missing links. He had to give it up, however, with the remark "Well I guess I will have to wait until another time."

What a sad thing about Underwood! How do the New York people take the matter? What is the truth about the tragedy? We get somewhat conflicting reports from the different papers.

Cordially,

503 West 121 St N.Y. City,
Nov. 24. 1907.

Dear Collins:

Thanks for your kindness in looking over the manuscript, I have today sent it off, but rewrote the first paragraph entirely. I really do not know the details about Underwood myself. It was temporary financial pressure, caused some say, by losses in the recent panic. I hope to hear authoritatively before long, when I see some of the Museum people. Then I'll let you know.

Mother sent me a copy of the Portland Press with the account of your Ten Gaspers in it. Congratulations indeed, many times. Such things will do much towards building up the Portland Soc. which might take a leading position in the State Natural History work. Fellows and Lee are working hard at it I know.

There is little going on here at present, just the usual things in school, this week is of course a short one,

Owing to the people of whom I leased a room giving up the apartment, I was thrown out of house there last week, and have had to move. Fortunately I secured a room in the same building one story higher up, (I am on the 5th now) a room which is somewhat larger and more sunny. I feel benefited by the change. I, also, thanks to a vacant lot get an outlook on the street. Today would have been dismal enough in the other place.

A pleasant Thanksgiving to you all. I now expect to remain here. If I go anywhere it will be home. Matters for the winter are not wholly settled there and I may decide to go home to talk things over. I hardly feel however that I can afford the expense.

I have just been talking with one of Dr Underwoods pupils. It seems that the money-loss report is all bosh - It was a case of insanity, due to over strain. Several

years ago Dr Underwood had nervous prostration, from which he never fully recovered. For the last three months he has hardly slept at all, and spent his nights wandering around the house, and whittling. It is very pitiful. He had rooms here in the city where he stayed part of the time. At the garden they noticed that he was working very very hard, finishing up all the little things and getting his affairs in shape. To Dr Barnhardt he confided that he was going crazy, but of course Dr B. could say nothing. The poor man must have been insane for some time, and simply held himself in check by his will power. He had been of late subject to violent headaches and seemed very much worried. The Friday before he died however he was his normal self, singing about his work, and all thought him better.

The Saturday night he grabbed a carving knife while at the table and rushed at his wife. She had presence of mind enough to hold her head down, so that while he

throat was cut from ear to ear, nothing but a serious flesh wound was made. Then Dr. U. turned toward the daughter, Mrs. U. rushed over & placed her hand across the girls throat saving her, tho she herself lost one of her fingers from the cut. Then the women rushed out of the house, while Dr. U. went to the bathroom & killed himself. It was insanity from overwork, nothing else. I feel very badly about it as the Doctor was a very dear friend. I have not seen so very much of him, but he was always so kind and sympathetic. I don't know whom they can get to take his place.

Well it's time to go to tea, so I must stop.

Cordially,
E.B.C

503 West 121 St, New York City,
26 Nov. 1907.

Dear Collins

At last I have word from Miss Clark about the city schools. I enclose her memorandum and hope in my heap your pupil. I really doubt if there is anything in it that she has not already found out from the Board. Two or three good influential backers will do more than reams of knowledge in my opinion.

No news here; hope to take in a Torrey Club meeting tomorrow, and then Thanksgiving Oh my. I dine with Dr King my principal.

Hope you all may have an abundance of turkey, sauce, fixings & pie.

My regards to you all, most heartily,

Chamberlain.

Dear C:

In a letter just received from Weigel he informs me that a Fac-simile edition of Linnaeus. Species Plantarum Ed I. (1753) is out. price Mk 40. What is a genuine copy worth, if obtainable and do you think it would be worth while to pay 40 Mk for a fac-simile (2 vols).?

Personally I don't fell that I need it [illegible]

Cordially.

E.B.C.

38 W. 59 St.
29 Nov. 07.

POSTAL CARD

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence, R.I.

38 West 59 St. N.Y.City.
1 Dec 1907.

Dear Collins:

Can I count on you for a couple or three mosses as offerings in the March 1908 issue of the Bryologist? I'm trying to get the list up betimes, and give you all the notice I can. "Copy" should be in by Feby 1st. I should not anticipate a demand for more than 30 or 35, judging from my own recent experience. If you can drop me a line about it between now and Jan 1 it will be all right.

Regards to all of you,

Cordially,

E.B.L.

Providence, R. I., Dec. 8, 1907

Dear Chamberlain:

In December, 1906, I obtained a copy of the original (1755) edition of the Pocket Dictionary and paid about $1.00 for it. A little more than a year ago Jun advertised the Dictionary and I concluded that the copy would answer all my purposes and, accordingly, made a trade with the college for them to have the original copy hence. I received the copy in December, 1906, (although the title cover page "1907") the Thesaurus occupy all of Vol. 1 (560 pages) and 506 pages of Vol 2. The rest of Vol. 2 contains the Cryptograms (pages 1061--1165), Appendix, Index, etc.

I have rarely had occasion to refer to the work and I doubt if you would very much if you had it. Perhaps I can answer such questions as you may wish to ask about it from time to time. My advice is to put it (the money) into field work, or something of that sort.

Thank you for the information in regard to the New York schools. Those you enjoyed the Terry Club meeting. Would be glad to hear about it. Nor does it strike you, in various ways, as compares with the New Haven Club meetings? I have never asked anyone who has attended both.

I trust you survived Thanksgiving in good condition.

Cumberland Center, Maine.

23 December, 1907.

Dear Collins:

Home again; with a ten day vacation before me, and also the prospect of every bit of it filled up with things to be done. Hence you will get but a note at present. With this I am sending you by mail a small parcel, which I hope you will find intact upon arrival. May you long live to drink out of it, — I'm a trifle shaky about the security of the packing, but it's the best I had.

I hope the cup may be useful, or ornamental, or both for you. To you all, and to all the other Collinses & Peckses &c, in Providence — my cordial regards and best wishes for a Merry Xmas and New Year. I'd try to write you again before I leave here, which is on Jan 1 (school opens Jan 2), but I may not, anyhow. Thanks for the note about the Gp. Plantarum reprint. By the way, can I count on Dawson for an "offering" in the March Bryologist?

With cordial greetings from Mother & myself

Edward B Chamberlain.

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Cumberland Center. Maine.

27 Dec. 1907.

Dear Collins:

Yes, the package of hepaticae came all right, and you have my sincere thanks for them. I've been too busy eating, drinking and tramping in the woods to do much letter writing. The hepaticae come in to fill gaps in my herbarium very closely. To be sure I have a lot of the beasts, but largely unnamed. Evans has been over a lot, but I have never had the time to label and insert them. Perhaps I can get this done next spring. Really I am glad to look ahead to getting things in shape. Judging by the low numbers of the packets you send you are having a house cleaning too, How is it?

I'm glad the little cup came safely, I didn't intend it for any particular reason doubt if it has one, save as a curio, I think it's genuine hand made, and is not a department store article. I took a trip through China town and the Russian East Side, about a fortnight before I came home and got a lot of very "cute" little things as presents, they are a trifle out of the ordinary also, which makes them all the better.

I'm sorry you won't be able to offer

in March Boyd, that is that you won't be able to definitely. Don't fuss over it, If you get the material ready at any time send me word, and I will put her in.

I am busy this vacation overhauling, bundling up, and putting away in shape a parcel of old Burnett duplicates, some 7 or 8 hundred packets. They are now in order & get at able. I shall send off two exchanges, and get ready for some others before I go back. I leave here at noon ~~the~~ Jan 1, and begin school Jan 2. I hoped to get until Jan 6th but plans were stepped on. I shall stay here as late as possible on mothers account.

She is able to go about the house without a cane as much as she wants at present, as long as she doesn't go too much on ~~the~~ the foot, at any one time. She won't be able to go out of doors for some time yet as the foot is very very weak. The eyes tho are improving a good deal. It does seem as tho she hardly got patched up in one direction before she played out in another. Its very hard for her. Fortunately we have a good danish girl here, 14 yrs old, able to do all the work save cook, and one who is considerably company for mother as well. When the foot is in shape, and to day is the first time that she has had on a shoe

of her own, she will be able to move out "in society" again.

You ask about the Torrey meetings. I have been to one only. It was interesting. A group of a dozen or 15 met in one corner of a laboratory, carried on a business meeting, had a short programme and dispersed. This was one of the Wednesday afternoon meetings, and seems to be more a conference of the Museum people. I have not had any chance to attend an evening session, as I have a private pupil Tuesday evening. To me there is a decided absence of the cordiality that pervades the New England Club meetings. There is no informal chat before and after. This may be due to the meetings being in the afternoon, and really during working hours. I shall attend an evening session as soon as I can. Thus far, save Underwood, the general attitude of the N.Y. Bot. Garden towards the rest of the world, is "you poor damned sinners, why don't you get on our bandwagon & ride to glory"; I'll except Williams (R.G.) too; he is very quiet, but all right — and the only soul there that Herrin Frau Direktorin Britton can't boss. That alone is a crown of gold for him. I really see very little of the outfit there. Howe is a nice fellow, cordial, and does the best work of anyone there. Barnhart is quiet and seems pleasant; I really know them all but slightly.

I enclose for you a Cephalozia which is not a common one, I may have sent you bits before but I think not; my lists are in New York,

Well, there isn't much else doing here just now, I'm tramping the woods every day, trying to get enough Ulota Ludwigii for Holzinger. Have only 25 specimens so far. By the way - have you heard of the Mt. Washington trip of the New England Federation of Nat. Hist Socs, the first week in July. 07. I understand the round trip from Boston, including a week at the summit house can be made for 25-30 dollars. I shall go if I am in range. Come on, leave the Gaspesian wilds, & collect Mawse on Washington, —

Well - this is finis, I shall see you this winter I think, can't say when however, With cordial newspaper greetings to all of you.

Edward B. Chamberlain.

460 Hope Street,
Providence, R. I.
Dec. 30, 1907.

Dear Chamberlain:

Thank you for the Cephalosia which has just come. I don't know whether you have or have not sent it to me before. I am just as much obliged, even if you have.

Yes, I have been cleaning house, but the hepatica which I sent you were not a product of the upheaval. I simply went over some miscellaneous duplicates and picked out such as I want. My desk and room not so cluttered up that I had to do something. Dynamite would have done it quicker, but not quite as satisfactorily to your humble servant.

I dare say you may be one has to have a house cleaning occasionally in order to find things.

I suppose from a statement in your letter that you will not have a chance to stop here on your way to New York. If you do have a chance to stop over a train or two, do so by all means. You had better drop me a line however or I may be out of town. The latch-string is always out for you.

We are all glad to hear that your mother is steadily improving, even if the improvement is slow. It must be a very tedious process, to say the least.

Yes, I have heard of the N. Californian Iris. I'd like to have it too, but I am afraid if any one of these different plants, which are now in a heap, should arrive, I shall not be able to do so. It is a great temptation, and if I can I'll certainly do.

I've been carrying overtime during the last three or four days, writing Gamp labels. We are soon to issue another batch of vacation plants, a continuation of our distribution of 1906. We shall not have so many this time, but the lot is much richer in rare or new things.

My best wishes for a happy New Year to you and your mother.

Cordially,

POST CARD

DOMESTIC POSTAGE, ONE CENT.

FOREIGN, TWO CENTS.

Shall go via Springfield: instead of via Shore Line, as by so doing I can get to N.Y. at 9 30, and get a good night's sleep preparatory to teaching the next day. Shall run down to see you soon

With greetings from us all Cordially E B C

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My Wish For The New Year

I wish you a Very Happy New Year. I wish also that your friends may be numberless who wish you all the good fortune that I do.

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503 W 121 St, N.Y. City.
4 Jan. 1908.

Dear Collins:-

Do you know the enclosed series of exsiccatae? I have just received series I and II Nos 1-100, and am after the others as soon as possible. They are the finest things I have ever seen, have the Musci Gallias beaten all hollow. Each series comes in a portfolio of the size of a standard herbarium sheet, containing 15-30 sheets of heavy manila tag paper upon which are glued the envelopes (mycologist style) containing the specimens. The latter are fine!! large, splendidly prepared and accompanied by ample labels. I send you under separate cover the "Sonderabdruck," that accompanies the 2d series, the labels are the same as those on the specimens. Keep it as long as you care to look it over, but I'd like it back sometime. I paid $10- for the 100 specimens and they are well worth it. I expect you know of it. I am going to invest in the remaining series as soon as I get the cash.

As I wrote you by postal, I came here direct from Cumberland on Wednesday. I didn't want to teach after a night on the sleeping car, so I started from home

at noon. Mother was alone, as our little Danish girl went to her home for New Year's celebration. Otherwise I should have planned to stop off in Providence for a train or two. How will it be for you if I plan to run down for Saturday & part of Sunday the 25th and 26th of this month. I can get away from school easier that week on account of the Columbia Exams here making practically no work in my higher classes. I may even be able to leave early enough to catch the 3 P.M. (arr 7.30) on the Shore Line if I do that. otherwise I shall probably come on the 5 o'clock limited. (Arr 9.02).

I know of nothing to prevent my getting away at that time, and if you wait I think I can bring along one of the Bauer exsiccatae for you to examine.

I had a very pleasant vacation in Maine, quiet and busy, saw Fellows and Nutt for a few minutes, both speaking very enthusiastically of your lecture. While at home I went over my duplicates, the ones I received from Mrs. Smith, and got them arranged in bundles so that I know where everything is. I have still got to go over a lot of them and select what I want for my own herbarium, and, have about 300 or 400 to accession, mount and index. Besides that I got enough of Mlle Ludwigit & of Mlle Crépin for Holzinger's exsiccatae and sent off four or five bundles of exchanges. So you see I had an

active time anyhow. It was exceptionally mild weather, the swamps hardly being frozen.

I'm sorry that you won't be likely to be at the Mt. Washington meeting. I'm going if I possibly can, as I think it will be a long time before I shall have another chance to stay a week on the summit of Washington for $17.00 plus RR fares. There is likely to be a large attendance I'm told.

Good luck to you on your Gaspé exsiccatae, may the sets be speedily sold. I wonder if it means for you another summer there.

By the way, what was your final decision as to a typewriter? I have decided to wait until I get a little more permanent home here, where I shan't have to pack up and dust every time, sending goods to the warehouse, before I purchase one. Good Lord, don't I wish I had as permanent an abode as you have, — here I am, books in 2 places, collections all at home, no indexing done for 18 months, and hardly a moss of my own collecting determined for the last two years. Such is life in a trunk.

Yes, mother is really improving. She still has to wear a bandage around the ankle and cannot put on

her own shoe for more than a few minutes. She is wearing one of my old ones, which is roomy, easy, and without a heel; the bottom and back of her heel are still very sensitive. Still she can go anywhere about the house, and were it not for the ice & snow could go out of doors. Her eyes continue to make progress: for example she was able to mend my socks while I was at home, & can thread a needle. Some of this seeing is of course done with the sight eye, which was not ~~to~~ operated on. She reads more, and can do so in the evening for a few minutes, tho she practically never does do it.

Well, I have a lot to do yet getting caught up on the three weeks letter writing. I enclose some Western mosses that may be of interest. Remember me cordially to the Providence folk,

As ever,

E. B. Ch.

[illegible] Benefit Street, Providence, R.I.
Feb. [illegible], 1908

Dear Chamberlain:

Only a few words now as I have too much ahead of me this evening. I had heard of the Newer [illegible] but was forgotten about it. I think I shall have to invest. We shall be glad to see you on the 22d and hope you can come then, for anything that I now know about. You did not say whether you were coming Friday evening or Saturday, but I suppose you meant Friday. If so please plan to come all your outside visits Saturday a. m., so that we may forenoon, from 9.00 to 1.00. Let me know, please, if there is any change in the programme.

I have an Underwood Typewriter.

Cordially but cordially,

Yes – you are right in your inference about my arriving Friday Jan 24. I'll come on train leaving here at 3. P.M. if I can. – I find I've already given you my last Bryologist offering. It's my 3752.

I'll bring down, if I can, one series (51-100) of Baker's Exsiccatai.

Wait till you see him,

Cordially, E.B.C.

I.H.
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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence, R.I.

Dear J.F.C.

All now seems secure for my leaving here next Friday at 3. P.M. and shall therefore arrive in Providence at 7.30. I shall dine en route.

I find that I gave you a wrong label for a moss recently, hence I enclose a corrected one. I have a very peculiar Grimmia which I shall bring along with me for your opinion. I have mounts made. It is a cross between Schistidium, & Racomitrium with Orthotrichum papillae. If you have any real, Grimmia apocarpa gracilis I shall want to see it.

All well here. I booming as usual.

Cordially.

E. B. C.

Jan. 19. 08.

Dear Ed:

Thanks for your card about cars, Mother has just written me that my cousin Henry Ch. is to be here this week, I hardly think this will interfere with our plans, but it may. Will let you know later if it does,

E.B.C.

Jan 21
08.

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Prof J. F. Collins,
Brown Univ, Providence
R.I.

38. W. 59 St. N.Y. City.
Jan 26. 07. 08

Dear Sir:

Herr Sr., I find the only address for Röll I have is Herr Dr Julius Röll, Darmstadt, Germany, but try to get it for you more complete. See the last issue of "Science" in the college library for a review of Fernald's "Soil preferences alpine plants." I will write more in a day or two.

Cordially,

E. B. C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R.I.

here since I was in Providence, It is usually ~~the same~~ old string.

At home all moves on quietly, save that it has been very cold indeed there, and consequently rather uncomfortable, It hasn't been any paradise here, in fact.

Give my regards to all the folks,

Cordially,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

When writing, any time please send me a number of Rhodora in Mem Torr Bot. Vol 6. No 2, describes of Plaisia subdenticulata

C.

38 West 59 St, N.Y. City.

12 Feb. 1908.

Dear Collins:

Tis a beautiful spring-like day, and also a holiday, Hence I have taken advantage of it by running up some moss from Pater Dupret, Among them I find the enclosed, which is a good find I think. I'm not absolutely certain of it, since Britt key provides no place for Pylaisia subdenticulata, Hence I am in doubt, and I have not Grout's Isothecieae at hand.

The plant is somewhere near P. polyantha however, and a good find.

Thank you very much for the list of the Floyd mosses, it will save me some considerable time. He wrote me not to rush, saying he had kept no specimens, so I had them stored away, against "leisure time"! It is exasperating at times to put effort on mosses for someone, only to find that they have sent them to a third person for naming also, and have already received a list.

All is going along finely here altho I am, as usual, full of work. This is the time when ground has to be covered, especially this year, since the last portion of the year will be taken up with reviews. The school, however, goes on swimmingly.

Friday I start for Allegheny Pa. to spend Saturday with a cousin, getting back Sunday night. I plan to come back on a day train so as to see all of the country that I can. Between here and Phila. it is of course flat and uninteresting, but west of there it should be good. I believe there is nothing of much moment which has gone in

Feb. 17, 1950.

Dear Chamberlain:

Your letter and the ireloced cylindric case in due order. Thank you for the specimen.

The following is from the Bot. Gazz. Vol. 6, page 152.

"Cylindrocladium subconglobatum (Ellis.) Schrod. Gen. Inc. Sel. 1194"
"Cylindrocladium subconglobatum Ellis. Bull. Bot. Torr. 21-27. 1891.
Cylindrocladium sp. in G. Trey Gen. Id. 2:52. 1898."

Then comes a long description of about 3/4 of a page which I can give you a copy of if you wish it. Thenquotes

"Type locality American (Sullivant)
on trees. New York and New Jersey (Austin); Maryland (Beissner);
Ohio (C. F. Biddlecome); Athens, Ill. (Tell); New Mexico (F. S.
Cooke).
Illustrations.- Bull. Torr. Bot. Cl. 27.
Exsicatti.-Full. N. Amer. Fungi (N.S.) 320.
Very close to C. palmetum, but distinguished by the reduced size, resinous exudation, absence of cilia and numerous pedicelate aleur cells."

Things are going on about as usual here. No news to speak of that I can think of except that we now have another line schedule on the cars that go by the house. We have been photoing (?) all sorts of schedules, as you may know, within the past few months. We now have a car that comes from Cook's residence and every other car goes to Lombard. I hope we shall have a reliable line we can depend upon some day.

Cordially,

38 West 59th St. N.Y. City.
22 Feby., 1908.

Dear J.F.L.:

Thanks for the note on the Pylaiaia - there will be no need of sending the complete description; I merely wished to know whether Grout recognized it in his monograph, since Barnes & Eastead treat it so slightingly.

Matters go on here as usual. Last Saturday I spent in Pittsburg Pa. visiting my cousin, Miss Brickett, I should have liked to stay over Sunday, but the river floods made it unwise. So I came back by the day train Sunday, enjoying the trip over the Alleghanies very much. So far here there is very little to write about, as I find my time well taken up with school work. In fact I do not look forward more

leisure time this year, What I do get I put in for absolute rest at present. Between now and June I expect to do a lot of work on Mathematics, as I hope to become a job reading exam. papers in June. It means time, but is of such a character that I can utilize spare moments in school and elsewhere for it. It is not like Moses, where one has to have a full array of baggage.

At home all is going finely, only the sun on the snow is beginning to be bad. Mother was able to get in town to see the doctor recently, who found the eye in good condition. It was the first time since September.

Regards to all of you,

E. B. C.

The enclosed came recently, so I'll share it

38 West 59 St. N. Y. City.
29 Feb. 08.

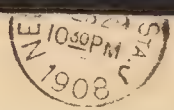
Dear C:

I have to day sent out the last specimen of the Paludella squarrosa from Gaspé that you offered once in the Bryologist. I therefore report as you requested. Material has gone to.

H. W. Lect. ✓
Shutai Okamura. ✓
F. Renauld. ✓
B. de Lesdain
I. Hagen.
W. E. Nicholson

three checked, I think I have reported to you before. All, lovely here.

Cordially,
E. B. Ch.



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Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R. I.

Dear J.F.C.

You remember when I was in Prov. we worked out a Grimmia from ~~Washington~~ Oregon. I gave you a bit and promised you my number. It is 3890. Grimmia apocarpa gracilis. Welch's P.O. Oregon. coll. A.S. Foster 17 Jun 1907.

All well - fine spring weather.

Cordially.

EBCh

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence, R.I.

Dear Co:

How much is a good copy of the L. & J. Manual published by Cassino, 1884 worth, and is there any difference between it and the Bradlee Whidden 1895 issue. I have a friend who has a copy for sale, and also know of a purchaser, so am acting as middle-man. Neither party seems to know the proper price. Miss Cummings' copy recently sold for $5.00

Very truly
C.B.H.

Apr. 5, 08.

38 W 95th St.
N.Y. City.

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Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R.I.

Dec. 4, 1[illegible]

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Dear C.

Here's your translation, I think all is OK, Ambrosy as a bee as I go home tomorrow for a few days. All so-so here.

Mighty sorry to hear of your father's accident and hope all goes along well

Cordially,

C.

Apr 9, 08.

Dear C:— I have just run across this, do you know it.

Cement for glycerine mounts:

Heat together equal parts of hard paraffine & canada Balsam until odor of turpentine disappears & the mass is a clear golden color.

To use melt the hard mass & apply with glass rod.

For repair, runs under a crack

The above is from an old college notebook, presumably from Prof Lee at Brunswick.

All well here,

Cordially,

E. H. 13 April 08.

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Prof. J. F. Coghlin,
46 E. Hope St.,
Providence

WASHINGTON, D.C.
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Dear J.F.B.:

Sometime in the next few days, if you get a chance to find the derivation of the following hepatic genera for me I shall be greatly obliged. I think Gottsche will give the most of them. If you can't find them in it let 'em go, and I will try the New York Garden. Don't take very much time on it. Just pencil a note on the enclosed sheet. I think that Gottsche's Lebermoose Brandenberg. or Rhome's Kryptogamenflora gives the derivation. Not all the genus names tho, are European I think.

Now, I'm vegetating here and working up card index. I go to New York Friday night, as I have work there Saturday. Then it's in for the spring term with a rush and a roar. We all are well here, mother especially so, and as it is now fairly decent weather I am in hopes she will continue to improve rapidly.

anyhow. she can get out of doors when she wants.

Well, I must stop and eat supper. Regards to all of you. I hope your folks are getting along all right.

Cordially,

Edward B Chamberlain.

April 4, 1904.

April 14, 1908.

Dear Chamberlain:

I have looked through the two books you mentioned and two or three others, without, finding the derivation of the inclosed words other than the two indicated. These both come from Warnstorf's Brandenburg Flora. It seems funny that no book seems to give the derivation of the generic names. Am sorry I cannot help you more.

Am very glad to hear of your mother's good health; I hope it will continue. Father went in to the shop again this week. His hand is not yet healed completely but he is able to do a little. He got proud flesh in the worst cut, that is the principal trouble now. The Dr. is keeping watch of it. My regards to your mother.

Hastily but cordially,

Thanks for the derivations. I have succeeded in securing about 90% of those that I want, and it will have to do at present. It keeps off fun, and I am keeping a permanent record of it. Glad your picture is improving so rapidly. Among Easter to you all,

Cordially,

C.

N.Y. City.
18 Apr. 08.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R. I.

Dear C:

I have just had word from Dufresne that my 3861 and 3862, (one of which I sent you a drop of) which I called Pylaisia subdentic alata, has been determined by Best as Pl. polyanthia. It may be well to make a note thereof, tho I don't wish to change my dictum until I see the specimens again. I'm beginning to have confidence in myself, you see. All goes well here, and I'm getting more & more buried in work. A teacher is sick this week, so yours truly has his nose to the grindstone. Only 7 weeks more, Glory BE.

Cordially,

E.B.C.

38 W. 59 St.
N.Y. City.
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APR 23 1908

Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.
Providence,
R.I.

Cumberland Center, Maine.
June 26, 1908.

Dear Collins:

Just a word now, as soon as I have got home, to make up for the long silence of this spring. As you surmised in your letter to mother I've been just about as busy as they make 'em this spring and have had almost no let up. Besides teaching from 9 until 2.20, every day have given 13 private lessons per week, and kept things moving right along. The first two weeks in June I began work at 8.15 and often saw only two breaks, of perhaps 20 minutes each, between then and 4.30 with six an hours teaching to fool on them. It was work.

After the close of school on June 12, I began to read the Entrance Exams in Mathematics for the College Entrance Board, and was busy at this for 8½ days. Left Hq. on Wednesday last, and rode thro that delicious thunderstorm across Connecticut. Then Wednesday

night I spent with Clarence Knowlton in Boston getting here Thursday noon. I'm just about set to rights now, and have my trunks boxes etc unpacked.

This week is going to be wholly boring. Next week work begins. That means more plants, mathematics and chemistry, a well assorted bunch you see.

I haven't done a thing outside of school work since sometime in April, and I shall now have to catch up.

The Mt. Washington trip got stepped on, dedut its I couldn't have gone anyhow, on account of other reasons, but I shall be glad to plan again for next year. My present plans allow me to be at home most of the summer. I may make a few all day trips up in the Kennebec valley, and shall attend the Topsham meeting. Then I plan for a short trip to Boston or Cambridge during August, or September, but that is largely problematic at present accounts. Really I haven't had time to do any real planning as yet.

Well, let me know how you head for the summer, and if you are to be in this region during the summer let me know and show up here.

With regards from both mother and myself to all of you,

Edward H. Chamberlain

June 30, 1921.

Dear Chamberlain:

Glad to hear from you, although there is almost nothing of a special nature to write about. For the past two weeks I have been driven it easy as a rule, with some few trips of a day each to various places in N.J. Yesterday I strained a cord in my ankle and today I am unable to use the foot much. Had a trip planned for today but I have had to abandon it for this reason. Anyway there is some satisfaction in knowing that it is an extremely hot day and that as a result it is much more comfortable in the house that outside, to say nothing of the greater safety in staying indoors. The thermometer at one o'clock registered 102° at our back door—this with the sun on it of course, but one is not in the sun when they are out of doors.

Am looking forward to a possible trip, so let me know if I have the pleasure of my own vacation. I am not sure about this feature however just at the moment time and cash is some certainly within a few days, I suppose. I am glad that you are looking a little in the direction of the Jersey valley, I am too. Cannot we make a trip to the Lake Hopatcong region or to the Lake House if neither better falls in our way? Think it over.

Dorothy Stephens has been under the weather for if more or less as a result of the excessive heat. She was in bed for several days but is now up again.

I'll let you know about the situation if we get the money or not as I know myself.

Cordially yours,

Mother's health is the best it has been for some time, Today of course we are all tired, for altho the pacers wasn't bad, we didn't get any sleep the nights of the third.
I'm sorry to hear that Mr. Jenkins is not well, hope he is now ok again. Be sure to give all of them our sincere regards. as well as the same to your father, mother and yourself. We sent mail right along to Providence unless I hear to the contrary.

Cordially,
E. B. B.

Cumberland Center, Me.
5th July. 1908.

Dear Bo:

I'm very glad to hear from you, but sorry that you won't be likely to come this way this season. Glad you've got your job, however, if it is congenial work. What's it. Chestnut disease or Pine fungus or what. Metcalf I suppose is at the bottom of it.

I fear you misunderstood my letter, about any possibilities for upper Kennebec county this summer. I really don't feel that it will be possible, on account of the expense. Next year promises to bring in some very heavy expenses for me, and I don't feel like going it

stop at all, I shall go to the Josselyn Meeting out of self-defense & respect for Dr. Fellows. (By the way, we have a report due on that) and shall probably spend a week end in Boston & Cambridge with Knowlton, tho that is very doubtful. I must also make a few days visit at Bristol. But the rest of the time I shall spend at home, very quietly, I really have quite a bit of work to do.

For the next two or three years, I do not expect to have in certain lines so very much spare time or spare money for botanizing in the country. It won't be many years before I shall be down to working all the summer vacation as well as all winter, tho I shall try not to do any teaching

All southern Maine is groaning under hot weather & no rain just now. There has been but one slight shower in this place since May 30. There have been showers around us, but nothing here. Therefore all is bone dry. I have been out but one or two times, collecting orthotricha in the Orchards, and have secured a bit of O. obtusifolium in fruit, as well as a fair amount of another for Holzinger. Just now I am working for or five hours a day on a collection of Mosses from Plummers Island Maryland, that I want to get named and off my hands this summer. I don't take much material to name for others just now. I assure you.

All else goes merrily on here

July 6, 1955.

Dear Chandrasekhar:

I believe you have for your forthcoming "Stellar [illegible]". I agreed to look for the text (11), including possible "a short or even note for the preprint, the exact nature of which I do not know, [illegible] to provide in the list of text diagrams. I cannot be in analogy but maybe this comes as a special award. [illegible] good reviews and that my [illegible] for the volume will be worthwhile, which is quite a surprise, but I [illegible] it would be [illegible] good point for me.

We are having some trouble [illegible] book, [illegible] will [illegible] well up towards the [illegible] publication [illegible] to improve matters. [illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the last [illegible] [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

July 7. 1908

Dear Collins:

I enclose the Boyd openings, also a list of names of certain of my mosses, collected in Connecticut, & which Nichol named a year or so ago. I discovered today that you had duplicates of them, but I cared not find that I had ever sent you the names, so here goes.

You bet it's hot, just been "biling" here for the past four days. Fortunately it is much cooler here today with a good breeze. But water is the need, crops are going back fast, I fear if no relief comes in a few days, that they will be utterly ruined. Botany is all exsiccated.

I will try to guard your interests in regard the Jesselyn Society. I will not take any office and I understand your refusal to be equally peremptory. Both of us have absolutely no time, and may not be in the State at such times as will allow attendance.

I'm glad your headquarters are to be Providence. It will be much pleasanter for you, and for your folks. I'm only to find that Mr. Jenkins is prostrated by the heat, I do hope he recovers in good shape soon.

By the way, as you will be through early in September with your government job, won't you have the chance to

make an offering of some sort in the November Bryologist. I hope you'll say yes.

All goes pretty here, bis loaping & getting lots of odd jobs done up to date. I'll see to the Biological Report for the Jno Mc Kenty. Regards to all yours from mother & myself

E.B.C.

O. K.
E. B. C.

How do you like this for certifying to Chemistry notebooks, experiments &c,

Copy of List furnished me by Geo. E. Nichols.

1435 Grimmia apocarpa (?)
6 Cylindrothecium cladorhizans
7 Porella platyphylla.
8 Ulota Americana
9 Lemocephalum conicum
1440 Plagiothece denticulata
1 Amblystegium fluviatile
2 Bryum roseum.
3 Anacamptodon heterostichus
4 Barbula fontinalis.
5 Mnium affine
6 Ditrichum pallidum
7 Orthotrichum Ohioense
8 Drummondia clavellata.
9 Orthotrichum Ohioense
1450 Amblystegium fluviatile
1 Grimmia apocarpa (?)
2 Hylocomium triquetrum.
3 Amblystegium fluviatile
4 Polytrichum piliferum
5 Dicranum scoparium
1456 Hedwigia ciliata
7 Bryum roseum
8 Polytrichum juniperinum
9 Scapania nemorosa
1460 Polytrichum Ohioense
1 Diphyscium foliosum
2 Ditrichum pallidum
3 Dicranella heteromalla
4 Leptodontia angustata
5 Webera nutans.
1466. Dicranella heteromalla.

C. B. G.,
July 8. 1908.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

(Reverse July 5

Dear b:

I find that I sent you a specimen of my mss no 3561, under the name of Pylaisia subdenticulata.

Mr. Dupret later sent some to Dr Best with the result indicated on the inclosed slip. So will you please attach it to the packet.

Mother wishes me to write you just a bit about some pictures which a Mrs. Merrill had spoken about. Mother would write herself, but the hot weather has been about all she could stand.

This Mrs Merrill wants six copies of the original picture of Mr. Wilson & House as it stands including Mother and I. Now, neither mother nor I care to be advertised in that way, and I understand that Mrs Merrill is more anxious about the horses than anything else. I shall tell her you have unexpectedly

received a Government job that will demand all your time until Sept. — Now, this from me, You don't want to have anything to do about these pictures. You once made some enlargements for me, and there are 3 copies of that here in the village. If Somerville wants, she can have the loan of one of those for the asking, and can have all the pictures she needs made in Portland, I think she is trying to bleed someone for the pictures gratis, and I feel that I should apologize to you, for having bothered you about it, I hope you will take a hint from me and be too busy, understand? I will make the necessary erasions, and refer Mr. M. to the other enlargements.

Reckon you are glad the hot weather has broken, but oh for

some rain. My garden is al-
most ruined. I really doubt if
it is possible for rain to restore it
so that anything will come of it this year.
Regards to all your
both of us.
E. B. Cobb

Cumberland Center, Maine. July 14 1908.

Dear J.F.C.

How does the enclosed strike you for a report ? As you have the time look it over and let me know, I have a copy and will run off a good looking one for the meeting if it meets your approval. Criticise it as you feel best.

All is dry as punk here and about all is afire, ~~aper~~ One doesn't dare stir out of doors for fear of being burned up now. I am trying to get a lot of odd jobs done up, and be able to rest soon. Let me know how the world moovs in your part of it. Regards from both of us to you all.

Very sincerely,

E B Chamberlain

Dear Joe:-

The bearer of this is an old friend of mine, Prof. J. F. Collins. who, I just learn, may be in Washington for a few days this summer, He is Prof. of Botany at Brown Univ. and for this summer has a job for the Govt. I don't know what. He is a very quiet fellow but fond of out doors, Anything that you can do for him will meet my sincere appreciation.

Hppe that you are all well and finding the summer bearable, Here a drought of 8 weeks has just broken and what there i left of the gardens is startingbover again. Let me know how the world moves in your part of the country.

Fraternally,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Cumberland Center, Me.

July 19. 1908.

Pardon errors 'tis a rush to catch mail train

To Joe. H. Painter
U.S. War Dept
Wash. D.C.

Cumberland Center, Maine. July 20 1908.

Dear C,-

I enclose the letter to Mr Jos. H. Painter in case you happen to be in Washington this coming sunday and find time on your hands. You will have to delived the letter before 12 N on Saturday to catbch Painter, as the Departments close then on Sat. If you do not find him you may be able to get his address from someone there. He may be able to make the day a little pleasanter for you. I have not written him about this, so if it does not fall in with your plans you need not deliver the note,

All goes well here, drought has broken and I am happy. Will write you a letter soon this must stop to catch the mail. Regards from all of us.

Cordially,

Ella

He is in the Division of Plants,
US National Museum,

The doorkeeper will direct you.

Cumberland Center, Maine

July 23. 1908.

Dear C:-

Will you please sign the enclosed and drop it into the mail? I shall not leave here until the morning of the 4th of Aug. so anything getting here by the last mail on the night of the 3rd will be in season. I think that there will be time enough for all the signing and the forwarding that will be needed. I think that the report will look so much better that it is worth the time and postage.

Just send it over if errors, please,

All is going on here at the as usual pace. We have had three good rains, and the crops are saved, altho they will be short and late. The very early things of course are ruined.

I have just received from Fleischer in Berlin in quantity of 30-40 specimens each, some 25 different species of East Indian Mosses for distribution to the Moss Chapter! I shall never get good material enough to repay him. I will send you a set for a quid pro quo. in the way of good duplicates.

Well it is late and I must get to bed. I go earlier that when in the city. There is so little to do if one does sit up. All a o well, and we hope that you are finding the summer's work pleasant enough to make up for the loss of the Maine woods.

Cordially yours,

Chamberlain.

Dear C:

J'ai reçu la rapport de la committée de les Mouxes et les Hebatiques. Merci boucoup. J'espère que vous faites une très joli voyage.

Tout à vous.

July 28/1908. E. B. Ch.

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Prof. J. F. Collins.
Care H. Metcalf ~~468 Hope St.,~~
Bureau of Plant Industry ~~Providence R.I.~~
Washington, D.C.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BRYOPHYTES.

The Committee on Bryophytes begs leave to submit the following report.

During the past year, for various causes there has been but littlematerial published relating directly tothe Bryophytes of Maine. The following papers have appeared since the last report,altho certain of the species there recorded have been mentioned in the report for last year.

E. B. Chamberlain: Catharinaea Macmillani. Rhodora IX.98. Complete description and plate of the species from material collected at Camden Maine, by Miss Crockett.

J. F. Collins:Mosses from Aroostook County,Rhodora,X.37. Notes, with distribution upon four mosses, one sphagnum, and one hepatic, from a collection made at Crystal, Maine, by Prof. M. L. Fernald.

J. F. Collins:Preliminary Lists of New England Plants, XIX. Addenda. Rhodora,X. 71.

Contains notes upon certain ~~ccc~~ Polytrichaceae already reported from Maine.

A. L. Crockett: Catharinaea crispa in Maine. Bryologist. X. 764

This paper merely repeats the record made in an earlier issue of Rhodora.

E. M. Dunham. Polytrichum gracile in Maine. Bryologist,) X. 75. This is a repetition of ~~the~~ an earlier record in Rhodora.

It is with much regret that the Committee announces the loss by death during the past year of one of its members.

Mrs M. L. Stevens of Cambridge Mass. had been a member of the Josselyn Society almost from the first, and for nearly all that time a member of the committee on Bryophytes, in whose w work she took an active interest. It is to be hoped that te Society will adopt suitable resolutions in the matter.

Respectfully submitted:

Edward,B. Chamberlain.

J. Franklin Collins.

August 1st, 1908.

E. B. C.
J. F. C.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

Sept 13
'08

Dear Collins:

I hear from Mrs. Jenches that you are at Bridgham, & about to go in to Pleasant Pond. I'll however send this to Chas Colby at B., Please, by the way, give him my cordial regards.

I am at home all of this week except Tuesday and Wednesday, and both mother and I hope that you will be able to stop off for a night on your way back; make it a day & night if you can. This offer, or rather invitation, includes Mr & Mrs Jenches as well.

All well here, and feeling as fine as silk. We will have lots to talk over.

Cordially,
Chamberlain

Sept. 13, 1936

Dear Chamberlain:

We reached home on schedule and in good condition, this afternoon.

My records for Intraplodon auriculatus are as follows:-

Observer 7:636, 641, 643 (N.H., Lake Superior)

Macoun's Cat. p.99

Moser & Hay's "List of New Brunswick Plants, p.25

N.A. J.Man. p.192

Ind. Bryol. 1:1266

D.& J. Handb. Brit. Mosses. p.264

Rhodora 3:162, 163

Bull. N.Y. Bot. Gard. 2:119 (Alaska)

Bryol. 9:44, 94.

If you would like more information in regard to any of these I will gladly furnish it if you will let me know which references interest you.

Hastily, but cordially,

20 Sept. 08

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine.

Dear Lo: Thanks for note on Tetraploids. you might add to yours, MacCat. Pt VII p 237. It gives all I want. all well here & busy as 2 B's. Regards to all the folks from both of us. and I hope you are all well. Will try to drop you a line when I come to N.Y.

Cordially
C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St.,
Providence, R.I.

38 West 59th St., New York City.

17 Oct. 1908.

Dear Collins:-

I truly owe you an apology for not having written you before this, but these first few weeks have been about as busy a time as I ever saw, and letter writing has had to wait. Now I am beginning to catch upp a little with the work.

All is going on as finely as could be asked for here, and I have the routine of the school well in hand, it means more work than last year in a good many ways, tho there is no tutoring as yet. The hard times have begun to show in the decrease of all the extras, and the cutting off of the transfers in the city here has made a material reduction in the attendance at the school. However, I am in good health just the same, and the pay seems to come just the same. There has been no falling off in my own classes, rather an increase in some of them. I have six or seven in chemistry against three last year. That is one of the reasons that makes the work more.

I am very sorry to hear from home that Mr. Jenckes has had more trouble with his eyes, I hope that by this time he is all over it safely, and that he has had the best of health during the time. It hardly seems a month ago that you-all were at home, time has fled rather rapidly with so much to do.

As you will imagine from the account above, I have had no

time for mosses as yet. In fact all that I have done is to get the boxes opened and partly unpacked, so that I can find things when the time comes. This afternoon I called on Mrs Smith, who seems to be in better health than for some time. She is in a quandry as usual about the officers for the Moss Society for the next year. I think that she wants to get a new President and Secretary, but I didn't take any hint in either direction myself. There is to be a meeting of the Society in connection with the AAAS meeting in Baltimore during the Christmas holidays. I shall not be able to attend. SO I shall not have any of the work to do.

Last night I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Dunham and Miss Kendall. The latter is a near neighbor of mine, and Mrs D. is here for a few days visit. I find that she is,or was, a Pennell from Gray, Maine. knows Dr. Fellows, and some of the other Portland people. Both are very nice people. Mrs. D. about 35, and Miss K. about 20, as far as years goes.

Hrer at the house, all is the same old story. My room is in a state, as the owners are putting in a radiator, otherwiseI can see no change from last year. There are some new faces at the tables in the boarding house, and a few new ones at the school. Later on I hope to get the chance to do a little work with the micro. Just now it is out of the question. This week I received the European and North American Bryineae which I ordered just before I left home, and later shall perhaps get some more books.

Well, give my regards to all the folks, and write when the chance comes, You are busy enough now. Cordially E.B.Ch.

Nov. 22, 1920.

Dear Chamberlain:-

Here it is nearly a month since your letter came and I have not yet answered it. I don't think you need to apologize to me for not writing. I have been so busy that I have been pigeon-holed all letters for some time. I have not yet had a chance to even look over those stacks that you gave me last Friday. Perhaps some day I may get a chance to do so. I hope you are not sitting around doing nothing while you are waiting for my reply.

Since coming back from my vacation I have been out on only a very few trips, and so have found neither of any consequence as far as I know at the present time, with perhaps one exception. A week ago yesterday I went out to Beechmont Reservoir in order to get a sample of the water for a student who is working on the plants of the water supplies. Just below the main dam leaving behind the embankment rocks I found some Pleuroceras hillanum, the first I had ever collected.

Last night I went down to the University Club to hear Fernald who came down to talk on the distribution of plants as affected by soil alkaloids. He had a good sized audience, and we did not get home until 11.30.

We are all pretty well here at the present time. George is back on the cars again. The operation on the eye came out successfully and he was off duty only a few days.

No special news to write about so far as I can recall, so will get after some of the things that I want to do before tomorrow's classes.

Cordially,

38 West 59 St., New York City,

29 Nov., 1908.

Dear Collins:-

Your letter received. Doing nothing ! Well, you are a very luck man in writing me as you did just before the Thanksgiving recess, otherwise I think you would not have got any answer until Christmas time. I am about as busy as the time will allow, and perhaps a little more so. For the last month I have had two private lessons of an hour each every day, and it has consumed the time most wonderfully. I have not had a chance to look at the micro. since Election day. So---don't think that I am sitting around looking for work to do. You may remember that funny looking moss from Mt. Desert, that you and I thought might be a funny form of Philonotis, when I came to get a peep at it on Election day, it turned out to be our old friend Aulacomnium palustre, under some new disguise. I felt decidedly cheap. I am glad that you have found Conomitrium , I found a little of wht I think is that some years ago in the C&O canal above Washington, but it still stays unstudied in the package at home. I wish that you could get enough of the species to make an "Offering" in the Bryologist some time this coming year. I do not eant to trespass upon your time tho, you already have enough to do. But if you can at any time--- you know that I am overjoyed.

There are already a heap of species piling up for me to name, I really cannot find the time for the work. So I am not taking any new ones on, save for particular friends.

A new part of E&P has just come to hand, which I send with this

It is a double part, price M. 3, I have not had the time to even cut the pages of my part yet. There cannot be over two more parts nowm unless there is to be an endless Nachtrag.

I am glad to hear that George is so much better, I hope that he has seen the last of his trouble with eyes &c. Give my kindest regards to him and to Mrs. Jenckes, and to all the rest of the family as well. I hope that all is going along nicely with you at the University, and that you have enough dish-washers anyhow. You cannot hope for very much more at the present. I will try to let you know how the matters stand between now and Christmas, but the letter may be only the faintest excuse for a note, as the time promises to be very busy.

As ever,

E.B.Ch.

Dear C: Thanks for your note about "Bryophytes of Connecticut". I have just received a copy, gratis, from Mr Nichols. Rather a good work, don't you think. No hurry about the Ed. P. It will be soon all over; so we had better wait. Busy, & well; that's all.

C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
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J. FRANKLIN COLLINS
468 HOPE ST., PROVIDENCE, R. I.

30 Dec, '08

Dear Chamberlain:-

I inclose postage for your offering in the current Bryologist. If you have not already sent me the Irish specimens offered in the Sept. issue I would be very glad to get those also. I don't remember ever having written you for them, but I have been so busy that I might easily have overlooked it. Am having a vacation now and trying to catch up a little, without making a "howling success" of it. Hope we shall all see you and your mother ere long. All pretty well here. Happy New Year to both of you!

Cordially,

70 West 59 St., New York City.

Dec. 31 1909.

Dear Collins:-

I will at least get a note written to you before the old year goes out, even if it does not reach you before the new one comes in. I am as busy as can be this week, since I am trying to get a little moss work done, to get the foreign exchanges made up, and to let mother see a little of the city in this neighborhood. She has not been down town any as yet, save to a concert last Saturday afternoon. That will have to come when she is more used to things.

Thank you very much for the little remembrance in the pictures of that wonderful squash vine. Did you send any of the copies to Capt. Crickett ? If you did not I shall send one of them to him as a new year's reminder probably. He will think it a fine thing, I am sure. I am glad too that you found the little book a pleasant reminder. I had a good jolly chuckles over it myself. Id do not think that it is as good as the earlier one about the flowers.

Have you any moss that you can offer in the March issue of the Bryologist? I am asking that question of allthe people to whom I write just now. and I hope that I shall get enough favorable replies to make it possible to have a decent list. If you have any species that have not been offered very much, they will be doubly acceptable . The coming year is really the last that I can put up upon such things for anyone, I have not the time to do any study myself, and my own collections get the go-by. I have at least 6 packages here from other people waiting for attention, and when they will get it, the good lord only knows.

At least I will try to go over them this vacatin and see what they look like.

You see, there is a good deal of work to be done for the school in the way of Math papers, and the directions for the Chemistry classes this year, and it cut in upon the time that I could otherwise put into Microscope. Now that mother is here, the spare time will go to her in a large party.

I hope that all of you are well,and that your mother is feeling better, I heard that she was not well at all during the past autumn. Give to all, a most hearty "Happy New Year" from mon mother and myself.

Very cordially yours,

E B B.

our house address is

503 West 121 St.

my mail can come here if not to

J. FRANKLIN COLLINS
468 HOPE ST., PROVIDENCE, R. I.

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Dear Mr. Chamberlain:-

I have just had a chance to examine the Polytrichum that you kindly gave me in September. I think there is practically no doubt that your specimen is P. gracile as you labeled it. I have found considerable variation in the shape of the sheath cells in different specimens, also quite a variation in the number of rows of cells in the margin of the leaf. I have taken a single stem of the plant, the one that I enclose, and I will return the rest of it as you requested.

You probably remember that you gave me the Irish moss, that I wrote you about a few days ago, when I was in Cumberland Center. I did not recall that fact when I wrote you, and only remembered it when I ran across the specimens a few hours ago when I looked up the polytrichum to examine.

Hastily, but cordially,

503 West 121 St, N.Y. City.
6. Jany. 1909.

Dear Collins:

All is going first rate here, save that I do not have all the leisure time that I could wish for. Mother is in excellent health, and is really enjoying herself very much. She takes to the new surroundings finely. Vacation was of course very quiet for us, but we managed to get about some. Mother is developing walking abilities which surprise me. 3 miles or more daily of out-door tramping. I hope that the cold spell just coming on won't stop it all.

Thanks for the verdict about the Polytrichum gracile. I shall send word to Mrs. Dunham tonight. I enclose Dr Grout's offering. Hyp. admirabile, as he calls it. I do not vouch

for it, or for his having studied it, & simply distribute it, because he is so very busy moving this Staten Island place.

Thanks for your good wishes, & hopes that we may visit you. can't get away before Feby 12th anyhow, perhaps not then, at present indications. If mother decides on anything else, she will probably let you know.

Sincerely, with our best wishes, & love of you,

Edward B. Chamberlain

Don't send stamps for my opening.

[illegible] Jan.'[illegible]

Dear Chamberlain,-

Thank you for the Grand March; we shall be [illegible] it. I have not given up the idea of offering some wheat to the Society next year but I can find time to overhaul fifteen and find out what I can offer. I notice if you have recently obtained the treatment that J. Bishop Tingey recently now lies one (part in the [illegible]) If not you may be rather strongly impressed with some of his cures. I inclose a bit of two that I received, with the cases that come with them.

Are that your friend minister of the U.S. National Forest was drowned in the Columbia last month?

Glad to hear Dr. your father is improving so nicely, and hope the improvement will continue. We are all pretty well here. No news yet but there is a few [illegible] to be [illegible].

Our regards to your mother, as well as to yourself.

Cordially,

503 West 121st St, N.Y. City.
12 Jan. 09.

Dear Collins:-

Thanks for your letter, and for the specimens, which I return; don't blame me for 'em, I did not know that Calkins was to offer anything at all. Mrs. Smith sent them in, as she did also three extra ones from Nelson: Of these latter, the Begonias, as far as I have seen 'em, are both B. pseudotuberculosum. I try to have some supervision over the material that I list, and trace specimens beforehand from doubtful folks. Mrs. S. will jam in anything that happens to be sent her on a postal 2 cents before going to press, then I get the blame for it: I am sorry that I have said yes to doing it this year, She can take her old offerings & go plumb to Hell with 'em after this.

Yes, it was my friend Painter

who was drowned in the Potomac, it was a very sad case indeed. He had only a few months before got his promotion from $600 per year to $1200. He has been struggling along, supporting himself & his grandmother on the 600, and making the best of it. He really was the man in the Bot. Division (aside from Maxon), and knew where everything was. He was practically the executive head, tho Dr Rose got all the credit. It was mighty hard.

There is not much going on outside of school here, we are cramming the kids for the Columbia midyear entrance exams just now. Tonight I have little to do, so I am writing up back letters while Mother plays solitaire.

With regards to all you from both of us.

Ascot E. Olive

Olive

Meigel has just written me that he has a moss-herbarium of 2400 species in about 17000 specimens for sale, (Musci. Hepaticae Sphagna), for sale. All in fine condition & revised by specialists.
Price is M.2100 = $525 plus carriage.
He wants to know if I can secure a purchaser — Do you know of one — I don't: I really don't. Perhaps you can give me a hint.
He writes no details about the collection.

C

462 Hope Street,
Providence,

14 Jan.'29

Dear Abbreviator:-

I am sorry if you thought I sent this issue with any idea in view of having you for the money. I naturally supposed that the man had simply sent it to the press and they were published, just as you say. Of course I knew that neither you nor Mrs. Smith nor anyone else who knew anything had ever heard them. I was really amused that this attorney-editor should have made the break, for, some years ago, he had, probably, he has offered large collections of lichens and Flowering-plants for sale and exchange. These papers were not issued but simply collected in "books" (about 95 sets), rolled up in paper and passed a note a day. I had to work out every number (of the four sets) and name, in order to get any specimens. I do not wonder you did not see a fair sample of his method of making his lichens and flowering plants.

At the time he sent these papers he also inclosed a list of papers which he offered in exchange, also stating that he had 372 "species" of lichens and 372 species of Flowering plants, collected about Chicago, for exchange, and would be glad to send list, etc. I declined entering into an exchange as I "saw it had all the earmarks of fiction". I also called his attention to the crude, dried specimens.

We have just had our first cold snap. It came like a blizzard last night but we have only 4 or 5 inches.

With regards to both of you from everyone here.

Cordially,

38 West 59th St, Detroit,
11 Feb. 1909.

Dear Collins:

Here I find your letter of January 14 last, unanswered. Truly I didn't mean to let it go so long. But time gets away pretty rapidly in this burg, and there is ever a plenty to do. — For goodness sake — you didn't think I took your letter in regard to Bro Cashins misses as anything personal, Man, I've a heap too much to do to go snooping around finding trouble. I reckon I must have had an especially bad pouch on that evening if I appeared to be at all vexed.

But anyhow, it's all gone; Mrs. Smith is "doing" the offerings now, and I have severed all connection with that end of the paper. I attend to the foreigners only, which is quite enough. I just wrote her that I didn't have the time to do the work, and she said she

wouldn't do it. So I'm free on that score.

Now, as I suppose you know from Mother's letters to your mother, comes this miserable affair about being turned out into the cold grey world at Cumberland. Mother and I go down to Maine on the night train the 19th next, and I shall return in time for classes Tuesday morning. I'll get what I can packed, put my duds and things in cold storage and trust to the Lord for the rest; I reckon it means cut out good times next summer, we may not have three wheels to lay our heads!

However, I'm not worrying over that future side of it so very much, I am more concerned over mother having to go to Cumberland in winter, Betty two weeks, for I cannot possibly meet her in Boston, & come back here, save on a Saturday, and she cannot finish packing before the 28th, so she won't get here again

until Mch. 6th when I shall meet her in Boston, we then can hope for a little pleasant vacation. I hope she will stay until nearly the first of May. Easter vacation, I may take a party of ten boys to Washington for a round trip excursion. If I can get ten kids I can clear $35-$40 on it, but it works!

Nothing doing in the mass line here, as I have practically no time for it, I hope the time may come. Perhaps next summer may allow me to get things straightened out a trifle.!—

We are all well, having a good time, and trying not to worry about things too much. I reckon all will come out OK.

Let me hear from you, and give the kindest regards of mother and myself to all the folks.

Sincerely

E. B. Clark

503 W. 121 St., N.Y. City.
21 Mch. 1905.

Dear Dr.-

I send you a whole specimen of Thuidium hypnicosum for keeps, and I also loan you, with privilege of taking duplic - some Polytrichaceae recently received. The Pogonatum confirms your ideas, as does also Mr. Nicholson's letter. The Catharinaeas seem much different from our forms.

We are all well here, mother by this time having recovered from the exhaustion which followed her Maine trip, and both of us are looking forward with much pleasure to a complete rest during Easter week. I too, hope for some moss work.

Otherwise there is no news whatsoever, just business as usual.

With the most cordial regards from us both to all of you,

Sincerely,

E.B.Ch.

What is the Fascicle number of Bryo. XII S.

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38 W. 59th Street,
April 19

Dear J.T.B.:-

Glad you got along on the wilderness of Long Island safely. It has been a busy week here, and I am just getting ready to gather up the pocketing strings on a fortnight's letters. This week, a packet of the enclosed arrived from Nicholson, and it with the Huidecia hypnoscum, which you already have, will be offered in May. He also enclosed a small specimen of Distichophyllum carinatum. (Rev Bry. 1908 # 2. p 21). of which I share with you a still tinier bit. It's right rare too, and you can always borrow my piece.

There is no especial news here now, save business is booming, & vacation begins Friday. I shall, however, carry a few private pupils over vacation: just enough to keep from loafing. Mortier has been a little under the weather, but will, I think, be all right Monday.

Regards to all of you from us both,

Cordially E.B.Ch.

503 W. 121st St. New York City,
Apr 7, 1909.

Dear J. F. C.:

I thank you very much for the little booklet upon the trees; haven't had time to more than glance ~~through~~, but it's apparently OK.

By post I send you the last and "Schlußlieferung" of Engler and Prantl.

Suppose there is a "Gesammt-register" still to follow to Abtlg. I, which may come in useful.

Your bill to date amounts to $3.80. No hurry; only don't send cheque, as they stick us 10 cts on out-of-town cheques.

Vacation starts to-morrow, then there will be a breathing space.

With regards from usual,
Chamberlain.

28 April, 1909

Dear Chamberlain:-

The card of the Josselyn Society has just reached me. Sorry that the chances are against my attending. Hope you will all have a fine meeting, as you generally do.

I inclose postal order for the amount you mentioned as due on the Engler & Prantl account. Thank you very much for your kindness and trouble in the matter.

Nothing doing here, not even in the moss line.

Yesterday was very warm, 93° in the shade. Today we are having a cold rain.

Hastily but cordially,

I have a little editing on hand of a mss paper,
It gives this reference, "Atrichum undulatum, Palis, in
P. Beauv. Prodr. p 42. (1805)." Should not the words Palis. in
be omitted? ~~[illegible]~~ is not the man's name Palisot de Beauvais?
will you verify the page also, Warnstorff (Laubm Brandenb
II p 1082) gives "p 72". All my other books give p 42.

Sincerely
E.B.C.

Is vein, for costa, ever permissible?

Will you please verify. Catharinea selwynii. E G Brill. Bull. Tas Bot. Cl. XVI 110 (1889)

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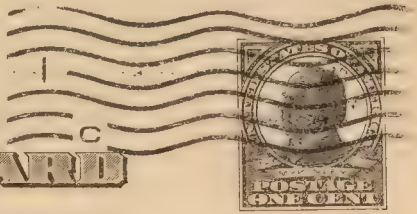

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence. R. I.

503 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.
24. April. 1905.

Dear Collins:-

Thanks very much for your trouble in looking up the references to the Palisot de Beauvois & the Leatharnias, as well as for the postal order. I find that I charged you ten cents too much hence the enclosed stamps.

Yes, I hope that they will have a good time at the Jamaica meeting. I am very sure that I shall not be there, on account of the early date. I fear it will affect others as well. but let 'em go ahead. The reason for the earliness is that our knight wants to be at Katahdin the week after. Goes up by canoe from Millinocket or Norcross, the latter I think. Fellows goes with him I think. The latter is now on a two-weeks trip to Bermuda, from Portland by steamer direct.

As you say, there is nothing doing here, outside of a heap of school work, this past week I have

had a very pleasant time meeting Mrs Dunham (of Andrewsdale) Miss Kendall (Holden Mass) & some others of local mawse friends, among them Dr Curtis of Columbia & Dr Mansfield of the college of Pharmacy. Mother goes home next Saturday morning, stopping over Sunday with some cousins at Woonsocket. There are rents & rumor of rents at Yarmouth, but as yet nothing very definite. She will go there as soon as she gets home, and look the ground over.

Well, I must hurry up my letter to-day & get ready to attend the annual interclass debate at the school tonight.

Sincerely

Chamberlain.

503 West 121 St. N.Y. City.
June 14th 1905.

Dear Collins:-

I received your postal this morning. I am sorry that I am unlikely to see you, as I leave town Tuesday June 15 on the 12 o'clock train, via Springfield for Boston. As I have two hours of teaching that day, from 9 up to 11, I shall have the time to look matters up or see you at all. Mother is not well, in fact she has been ill in bed for three or four days, tho now considerably better. Hence I am going home as soon as I can and see what is to be done. Letters for the present at least will go to Cumberland Center Maine as usual. I expect to be pretty busy

for the first of it, and will have a good deal to do, I may not know where I am at until after July 1st, but I'll try to drop you a line, sending it to Providence unless you have a definite itinerary. Have you received a copy of 'Dörfleria' the new periodical? That & the Botanisches Centralblatt look worth while to me.

Well, I must drop a line home, and then start out for making some farewell calls, after which its toted for mine as I feel very tired.

Sincerely

Edward B. Chamberlain.

Cumberland Center, Main
July 17, 1909.

Dear Collins:-

I ought to have written to you a long time ago, but there have been so many things to do and on the whole I have been so tired that I have not written all that I might have. For one thing, to warn you , I have a new make of typewriter, a L. C. Smith visible, and the letters run a little different in some things, so you may be preparred for a few errors. I have taken it on a rental for one or two months but do not know how I shall like it. The agent has offered it to me for $70 on the instalment plan if need be? I do not know what to think whether to try it this way, or to wait until I get to New York and there get what is called a rebuilt machine. That is, one which has some of the letters repaired. There are some good firms there that deal in such things, and I had one of the machines all last winter. I wish you would tell me just what you think about the question of machine, new or old.

The Josselyn Metting passed off after a fashiom - O. W. Knight disappointed me and a lot of the others. Nevertheless the nominating committee put in the same old board of officers The trouble is. there is no one in the Society who is at the same time a good executive and a resident of the state, save Dr. Fellows. Knight not only did not attend all of the meetings, (part due to a very bad tooth) but he did not even stop at the hotel at Peaks Island; stayed in Portland. There were not over nine out of 22 that stayed at the hotel, and not all of those all of the time. Knight cannot preside at a meeting any more than a cow, and a lot of the usual courtesies were allowed to slide. I didn't intend to run the whole thing for him.

Inow have the usual job of the Bulletin simply because there is no one else to do it. I think there will be nothinhg done in the future unless there are a few more workers brought in to the members.

But, what's the use. Here I am at Cumberland using a friend's house, or rather part of it, and no place in sight where we can go to for a home of our own? Mother has been very sick a good deal of the time since the first of June, and noe is only in the start of getting well . She is not at all strong,

but we have a girl who does about all the work save the supervising. I think we shall keep her all summer. The trouble was getting over-tired and worrying so hard when mother first came home run her down, then a severe attack o of indigestion set in, from which she is by no means recovered. She will have to keep pretty quiet the whole summer.

I am slowly packing up the things that we have here, a lot of them of course are in permanent storage in a shop near here, but I am at work upom the things that we had to bundle along without packing into a room in the house where we were staying last summer. It is a long hard job. Two days after I got home I got them all moved down here and have been at work upon them in odd moments ever sinece KKKK I now have this room filled with boxes a and bundles of all kinds with things that I am getting sorted out and put into permanent boxes so that when we go in the fall we can leave thm secure from the rats and such vermin.

I hope that you are having a good time in your work at the chestnut disease, and that you will not find the weather so awfully hot as you did last year. By the way, do you know anything about the country around Lowelltown? There is some talk of the Josselyn Society going there for next year, and I am down to learn about the place. Whatever I do will be done before I go back to New York. As far as I can learn the train arrangements are not very good for getting there or for getting away. Ard ther any camps or hotels there?

Well, rememebr us all tho the Providence folks when you write them, mother will doubtless try to write then soon.

Cordially yours,

Edward B. Chamberlain,

I took the liberty of signing your name to the report of the Reciprocity Committee, I can forward you a copy if you desire

C.

From EDWARD B. CHAMBERLAIN,
Cumberland Center, Maine. Sept 10 '09.

Dear C:-

I have not found time to write you a word since you started, tho I have kept the home folks informed. The Sunday after you were here in Portland, mother began to fail, & has grown steadily weaker. There is now no likelihood of her ever being any better. We can only wait for the end, keep her comfortable as possible, & hope that she may not be compelled to suffer long. She is now so weak that talking is an exertion rarely attempted, and it is hard to rouse her enough to take any nourishment. The end may come at any time, or she may linger along for ten days more. For her sake I hope it will be soon. I'll try to drop you a line later in the week or Mondays so that you will be posted.

I hope you have been taking every advan

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Prof. J. T. Cotton,
Clover Pond Camp,
Somerset Co.,
Maine.

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tage of these lovely days, and that you have found lots to enjoy. I hope Mr. Preston and Mr Hope. have found the Maine woods a wholly delightful place. Please give them my most cordial regards. but keep a good slice of the letter for yourself

Sincerely yours. E B Co

38 West 59 St. N.Y. City.
10 Oct. 1909.

Dear Collins:-

This is a letter for you and also for your mother and father: a family affair: First of all I want to thank all of you for the kind letters which came last September. It isn't because I didn't appreciate them, that I've been so long in replying but because I've had so much to do. There has hardly been a spare moment in the last two months until recently. The week that I saw you in Portland, I took a little time off, for one or two little things, but that was the only bit while mother was ill. After her death, there was so much to do in packing things up, &c., and what chance there was for letters &c went to her sisters in the West and other relatives. And so the time has slipped away.

All at Cumberland was put in as good order as could be, considering the amount of time available, and I shall hope for the best in it. If things spoil through storage they will have to spoil, that's all. I cannot help it if they do, and shan't worry over them, even tho the

chances for doing much with them does seem rather hopeless at present. To tell the truth I am so tired that I don't try to make plans.

The school here has opened as well as last year; one week was of course completely broken up by the Hudson-Fulton celebration; but the outlook for work from this second week seems good. The numbers of students isn't all that could be hoped, we ought to make more steady growth in the lower grades than we do, but it is no use despairing over that until the beginning of November. I have found lots to do here, getting settled and the like, and shall probably be busy enough for some time yet.

Next Sunday I expect to spend in Southington with Bissell, going down Friday night if I can, after which good times will have to cease, as I shall begin ~~tutoring~~ work on the 18th, I hope 1½ hours every school day. There is no especial ~~news~~ to write you about ~~things~~ here. I have the same room that I did last year, and I find it very natural to slip back into the old surroundings. I am the only one in the apartment besides the ~~family~~, and ~~are~~ very quiet and undisturbed

Of course, things at times seem lonesome to me; I miss the letters that used to come so regularly, and miss writing them, too; but that was only what I expected. Before long, I shall find time to busy myself over messes or something, and shall grow more accustomed to it.

I enclose the messes that I have offered during the ~~fou~~ summer and autumn, which I hope will be acceptable to you. I believe that you haven't them at all. I hope you all had a fine time while at Rome Pond, write me about it some time. I hope, too, that sometime during November I can run down to Providence for over Saturday and Sunday, and hear how things are going on. I can't tell yet how it will be though. should have to leave here on the midnight train probably.

Today I have been bunged up a trifle with a mild headache, due to "inwards" out of order, and have been asleep much of the time, but am feeling better this evening. Well, I must ring off, and scribble a note to the Rome Pond folks. Hope you received

the Bulletin of last summers. Jocalyn meeting OK, I send one to the Herbarium, I think copies of Bulletins 1, 2 are in the B.U. Library.

Sorry you did not get the postal which I sent to Rowe Pond Camps, about mother's death.

With my most sincere regards & good wishes to you all.

Cordially,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.

17 Oct.,1909

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter of the 10th duly received.

Thank you for the mosses which I was glad to get.

If your plans materialized I suppose you are in Southington today. I hope it is warmer there than it is here. Have been out for a little walk to get the air and found an overcoat was the proper thing---and buttoned up too.

We shall be ~~xxx~~glad to see you over Sunday, or longer if possible, any time you can get a chance to run down here. Just let us know a few days ahead of the time.

Mr. Preston and Mr. Hope were very much pleased with the Rowe Pond region. We were there a week tramping , collecting, studying specimens, going in swimming occasionally, and doing our best to enjoy the outing, and I think we succeeded very well. We visited Clear Pond, Jewett Pond, Brandy Pond, Bean Pond, Young Pond, Carry Ponds, and for a final two day's trip run up to Pleasant Pond. At the latter place we went to the top of the North Mountain, in to Dimmick Pond in the gorge southwest of Moxie Mountain, besides explor- a little around the Pond. By the way, I hope some day to tramp over this region again with you. That Dimmick Pond region is a mighty interesting looking one. It looks almost as if it would not be difficult to go up Moxie from this locality, yet one can never tell the going till he tries it.

The two Josselyn Soc Bulletins came OK. Many thanks.

The Rowe Pond postal has not yet appeared.

Cordially,

38 West 59th
or
503 West 121 St.
N. Y. City.

29 Oct. 1909.

Dear Collins:-

Thanks very much for your letter. It is surely very nice that you all had such a fine time in the Moxie region and around Rowe Pond. I echo your wish that we may again get into the region. Towards the close of next summer's vacation, if all goes well, I hope to be able to make a trip into that part of the world. Only,—when, when, is one to get the time to look over all these collections. Work seems to pile up endlessly here, and no progress made towards unravelling or decreasing the pile. Had a very pleasant visit with the Bissell's that Sunday, save that the trains were persistently late, and 'twas dreary waiting at the station. Got a few mosses on Meriden Mt, and in the resivoir region at West Hartford, but apparently nothing rare.

Work is settling down now to its accustomed pace, and all looks promising. Have 1½ hours daily of private

lessons at present, and find that I am pretty busy.
Have just received 300 mosses, mostly acrocarpi, from
Macoun, with more to follow.

How does the enclosed strike you for card case
cabinet? If thoroughly interchangeable and prac-
tical it ought to prove a good thing.

Kindest regards to you all,

Sincerely
Chamberlain.

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.
14 Nov.'09

Dear Chamberlain:-

I have been intending to write you for some time, but first one thing and then another has interfered. Now that I have a chance I can seem to think of nothing worth while. Perhaps my thoughts will clear up as I proceed.

Am glad to hear that you have obtained Macoun's mosses. I recently received a package of 250, and had about 400 prior to that. He writes me that the last lot ends the series. I have recently received 2 more sets from Bauer. Have you got any more of his Eur Exsic.? I think you told me that you had some a year or more ago. They are fine things.

I hear W.W.B. is writing a book of poems, or rather editing a book of his old poems. I understand it is nearly completed. I suppose youwill have to invest?? Have you seen the recent book of Dr. ~~Grenfell~~ Grenfell and others on Labrador? If not try and get a peep at it and read the footnote on page 392. It contains invisible writings between the lines for those who know both sides of the affair in regard to the naming of those ~~Labrador~~ plants that Delabarre brought back from Labrador a few years ago.

Mother has been having a bad cold for a few weeks and now I am fighting one off, or trying to.

Are you planning to attend the American Association meeting in Boston in December? I am planning to do so. I shouldn't be surprised if it would be better for me, and fully as cheap, to come home nights.

Fred is at Carry Pond after deer, moose, bear, etc. Hope he does not get taken for one, as some people have been lately.

Cordilly,

38 West 59th St. New York City.
16. Nov. 1909.

Dear Collins:-

I am very glad to receive your letter, to know that you all are well. Today, while in Putnam's I got the pulp you suggested at Dr Grenfell's "Labrador". Truly there are writings within writings in that footnote to p 392. What saith W.W.B.? I suppose that he feels it is all right since Delabarre has courteously shouldered all the blame.

Yes I shall be at the AAAS meeting in Boston, for a day or two anyway, tho I cannot tell as yet just how long or how much. Plans regarding Christmas holidays have not been fully made by me as yet anyhow. I may go down to Maine for a few days, really ought to do so. School here closes the 23d at noon, and I could be at my cousins at Round Pond by the next night should I care to do so. Then by starting back on Monday morning, I could take in a portion of the Boston meeting and still be here in time for a rest of two days before school opens Jan 3. If I do that, I shall stop off a day or two in Providence.

You know, I suppose that Mr. Clark's family, [illegible]

from Pleasant St, last week to 115 Mendell St. Where it is I don't know. "Near the Dexter Training Ground" Jim tells, but where is that?

I believe I have 8 fascicles of Bauer's Musci. they are all here, somewhere, but I haven't had a chance to glance at them for ever so long. Not much moss work for me this year, I reckon. Some day, I may have the chance to get at it in earnest. I hope so.

I am having a very quiet Thanksgiving tho not at home much. Yesterday I dined with Dr Koenig, my principal, went to the Opera in the evening, and tonight go to a symphony concert. Tomorrow I expect to go to Brooklyn, calling on Mrs. Smith and the Morrises.

Regards to all of you,

Edward B. Chamberlain.

By the bye – (this is not a dream), are you through with those mosses from Nicholson which I sent you last winter? If not let 'em rest a while longer.

Nov. 28, 1909.

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter of the 26th is at hand. Thank you very much for mentioning the Nicholson mosses. I had forgotten all about them, and at first could not recall just what you meant. Upon looking amongst my miscellaneous packages I quickly found the package, properly marked to be returned to you eventually. It might have remained unearthed for a long time if you had not spoken of the mosses it contained. Last evening I looked the specimens over superficially and took a bit of each, as you directed in your letter of 21 Mar. '09. Thank you ever so much for the specimens.

You seem in doubt a s to where you will spend your Christmas. How would you like to drop in on us for your Christmas dinner? We should like to have you if we are as well asat present. We expect to have a cousin and aunt from New Hampshire, otherwise only our own folks. We could dissipate for a week or less, in Boston at the A.A.A.S. meeting, coming home to Providence nights, if we cannot find suitable accommodations in Boston, ~~if~~ should we prefer to stay there. We might (infact probably would) have to give you a cot bed to sleep on, but a good comfortable one as I can vouch.

Wendell St. is a short distance this side of Olneyville.

I am returning the mosses at this time, under another cover.

Cordially,

Let me know what you think of the Christmas proposition, provided we are all able to have company at that time.

38 West 59th St. N.Y. City.
Nov. 29. 1909.

Dear Collins:-

Your letter and the packet of mosses at hand, thank you very much for them.

Thank you very much for your X mas invitation. In the last two or three days, events have so changed that it now seems likely that I may go to Maine for the few days before the AAAS meeting, and may not take in that more than the Sullivant Society meeting.

The main reason is this. There is some probability that I shall be in Europe this summer as two boys in school wish a travelling companion. (Fancy - I have never been abroad - don't speak any tongue but English &c &c) However, the chance seems probable and I shall go if I can. All expenses will be paid, and about $400 additional. If so, I wish to get my belongings housed in more suitable fashion in Maine. So I shall probably go to my cousin's at Round Pond, for a few days

at Xmas, and make arrangements if possible for the proper storage of things, then go down in the spring, and take out such things as I am likely to need here next year, and have them sent me in the fall. Please do not mention about the European possibility to anyone yet, as I have no definite news; in fact am not supposed to know anything of it whatsoever.

So I may not see you until the Sullivant Society meeting, but if agreeable and convenient to you all then, I will return with you from that & spend a day or two in Providence then. I am planning, eventually, to make my head quarters here anyhow, and to again get my scattered belongings together.

This is only a note, thanks for your remarks about those steel index files. I have kept them in mind for future use.

Regards to you all.

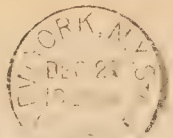
Chamberlain.

Dear C:

I have just had word from my cousin Henry Chamberlain that he expects to be in Boston Tuesday & Wednesday, so I shall plan to see him Wednesday then. Shall go up from me to B. directly, and stay thru Wednesday evening. Will meet you Thursday morning, and come to Providence with you Thursday night. Don't expect me before that time. No special news here.

C.

Mon. 27 Dec. 09
503 W. 121 St.
N.Y. City.



POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Prof. J. F. Collins,
46 Hope St.,
Providence,
R. I

Send mail as below, please until after 3 Jan.

503 W. 121 St. N.Y. City.

Dear Collins:-

I shan't go to Maine this vacation, but shall rest up until the Boston meeting. Will it be convenient for you all to have me come to Providence sometime Wednesday, leaving here either at 10 am or 1 pm, and remain until Saturday, or would you prefer that I meet you at the Boston meeting Thursday, and come home with you that evening? Just be frank and say what is convenient. I must be back here by sometime Saturday evening in order to get my breath before School opens on Monday. All quiet along the Potomac here, save that I have some news to tell you, and advice to ask about the coming summer.

My best Merry Christmas to all of you

Sincerely
Chamberlain.

38 West 59 St, N.Y. City.
5 Jan. 1910.

Dear Collins:-

I am sending by this post, or tomorrow, dependant upon weather, the recently arrived fascicles on Engler and Prantl. If you do not care for the Algologic Nach trag, I will assume responsibility for the price thereof. The cost of what I send is $1.84. which is all you owe me to date:

Got back here safe and sound Saturday, and was able to loaf most of Sunday. Nothing much doing in the way of work. save a little chemistry. I really had a great rest during vacation in spite of the apparent strenuosity of things.

I wish sometime soon you would write me a word or two regarding the camera question, so that I may have something to go by in regard to purchase. I shall buy through the school of course. That, clothes, guide books, and the opera or field glasses, will make a good sized bill at the start, for a poor struggling teacher.

Well. must get busy on other letters. Regards to all of you,

Sincerely Chamberlain,

38 West 59 St, N.Y. City.
8 Jan, 1910.

Dear Collins:-

The outrageous icy weather, with rain & slush prevented me from sending the pkge of Engler & Prantl until today. So I'll drop you a note in reply to your card.

Mrs. Smith broke her right arm at Lambridge, Thursday, so much was scribbled on the back of an envelope from E. G. B. to me. details I do not know. I enclose last Bryologist offering, you have all the others, fide my lists. For Polytrichaceae consult. Wm E. Nicholson, Guido Corti, I. Hagen, G. Dismier, (for addresses see Bryologist). I have exchanged with all save Corti. Brotherus is good also.

I'm glad the Polytrichaceae are settled with E. G. B.

All quiet here, no news since last letter.

Sincerely
E. B. Ch.

10 Jan. 1910

Dear Chamberlain:-

I inclose cheque for the $ 1 which came today. I do not care for the Algologic part as we have it at the College. Thanks for the notes and also the suggestions as to correspondents.

In regard to camera I will give you a few points from my own experience, and that is what you want I suppose. I have had but a limited experience as to different kinds of cameras, but from this limited experience I can say for the work you would probably want to use your camera for that you would probably be disappointed in a regular Kodak. I had one once and was very soon glad to get rid of it. My objections were mainly the vertical picture, the lack of fine focussing apparatus, the ease by which the back might be accidentally be removed, etc. The camera which I am using for almost everything now is a Special Weno Hawkeye, 3 1/4 x 4 1/4, with a Zeiss Protar (or VIIa) lens, and B.& L. automatic shutter. I would advise getting a first class lens by all means if you fell that you can afford one. The Zeiss Protar or some of the Goerts lenses are as good as any I think. If I was to get another camera I think I should get a 3 1/4 x 5 1/2 instead of 3 1/4 x 4 1/4, it makes a better shaped picture. Whatever you get have something that will take a regular Kodak N C film and don't be induced to get a "film pack". I never used one but I know many people who have, and I have usually asked them how they panned out, hence the above advice.

Shall be glad to give further and more elaborate advice along camera lines if you desire it and I am able to do so.

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter and card both received. I inclose card index references, also the filled out bib. card.

How long are the E. & P. parts likely to run on before we can stop them? It looks to me as if all the most parts had now arrived.

I think Bausch & Lomb do not manufacture the Hawkeye Camera, but any dealer can tell you.

We had a foot of snow in the last storm, and all of the previous storm's snow had not disapperaed.

Mother and I have been having a spell of the Grippe. I started in at college again today. Have been out since Wednesday.

I WORKED ALL DAY YESTERDAY ON MOVIES. Don't drop dead!!! It really seemed like old times, and very good.

503 West 121 St. N.Y. City.

15 Jan. 1910.

Dear Collins:-

I should have acknowledged your cheque earlier, save for my having had a very busy week in school. The English teacher went on a bat (presumably): anyhow, he did not show up until Friday after school, when he was haled into the principal's office and fired p.d.q. I have had extra work in consequence, and have been on the jump. All going well however, new teacher arrives Thursday, and I have only two extra classes in the interim.

If you don't get a chance to dispose of the Algologic part of E.I.P. I will see if I can do so. We have to take them, as I understand as part of our getting the parts at 3 cts instead of 5. You ought be able to get 50 c for it somewhere.

Thanks for the details about Cameras. I must get in touch with the manufacturers of the Hawkeye etc, Do Bausch & Lomb deal in such things? They have an office here in the city. I may decide not to purchase, will see how prices stand.

Will you kindly fill out some of the lacking data on enclosed card & return (no hurry).

have had a good old-fashioned snow storm here, and things are quiet well tied up in consequence.

I have bundles & bushels of work waiting me, and must get a single off tonight and dispatch some letters.

Regards to all,

Cordially,

E.B.C.

Jan 16 1910

38 W 57 St
New York

Dear C:

I looked at a moss today!
and it appears the Bryoxiphium norvegicum from Mt. Rainier Washington. — I had only a sporogon, and forwarded 1/2 to E&B to be compared. (I shall be in the old girl's good graces so long).
Would you mind letting me know if you can catalog any reference to its being found outside the general Mississippi Valley region indicated in L&J.?

Sincerely
E. B. Bartram

POSTAL CARD

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Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St,
Providence, R. I.

38 W 59 St, Jan 26. 1910

Dear Sir:-

Thanks very much for the filling out of the card. The Bryoxiphium was B. Norvegicum tests E&Br. I have advised Dr Frye, from whom the specimens came, to report same.

What can you tell me about Beattie (J. S). and his work on mosses. The enclosed letters, which I would like returned will explain my reasons for asking.

Thank you especially for your letters in regard to the camera. There is a teacher at the school, who has advised me to try 2nd hand camera, bought of reputable dealer &c. I shall think it over a little, I don't want to get stuck.

No news lately. Worked all day Sunday on Fontinalis having the tail of the F. maritima from New Bedford row. (Rhod Bry XXXVII 14). Dixon thinks it F Delamarei so do I, ex descriptn. NCK, balls up his English as usual. but seems to have the bird on us all in his "seeing type specs." If you

have Cannon's monograph, or anything bearing on it, could borrow it for a few days, will pay [illegible] postation. Am dead tired tonight & must finish up work soon to get to bed by 10 if I can.

Sincere regards to folks. Hope your mother's cold is now a thing of the past.

E.B.C.

20 Jan. 1910

Dear Chamberlain:-

I return your letter herewith.
You can often get hold of good second hand cameras if you patronize reputable dealers, as good as any one needs.

Didn't know before that you were mixed up in a "Chinbus" scrap.. Many others have been there before you. Ask Mrs. B. sometime when you see her. I've been ther in regard to Eucalypts. By the way, what did you tell me were doing for the U. S. Flora? I do not recall now.

Am sorry that I can ive you no help on the Fontinalis now It is possible that we have Cardot's monograph at the college, but I feel quite sure we do not have it. I will look at the first opportunity. If we have I think I can send it on to you for a few days.

We all appear to be on the mend here. I don't know that I told you that I have been ill with grippe for a few days not long ago.

Cordially,

I am well acquainted with the party you mention, and know of several other people who are.

I shall take pleasure in telling you about him when I see you.

Briefly, as far as I know, he is honest and capable, but erratic. Apparently, the consensus of opinion of those who have had much to do with him (including myself) is "There is a screw loose", and I have heard expressions from various sources that were stronger.

Often things will go along smoothly for quite a spell, when, suddenly, something will rattle, and someone will get jarred.

I know nothing about his work on the moss. So far as my knowledge goes it may be a recent shift of the aforesaid metallic article.

He recently told me (in fact) that he was particularly interested in the pleurocarpus mosses. Now it is East Indian and Japanese mosses apparently. I hope he will get anchored somewhere soon.

Dear G:

I have under advisement a camera as follows: 3A. Hawkeye, 3¼ x 5½, (post card size) Zeiss-Tessar lense, (can be used with 1/300 sec shutter if needed, mine will have 1/100 sec.) automatic shutter, guaranteed by a thoroughly reliable firm as absolutely OK in every way. Price $67.50: do you approve getting it, I must ~~know~~ let them know Saturday? Send you decision a postcard at once. The lense is OK, & the camera alone is for sale at $22.00 with rectilinear lense. I am strongly tempted to try it. I don't mean of course for your approval without having seen camera but do you think paying 45 for lense is good policy. It is an imported Zeiss.

Tessar – I guarantee. I have every confidence in the firm:—

Will you try to send postal to school so I can get it Friday?

All well

EBB.

Have have more questions later.

38 W. 57th St N.Y.C.

Wed. 16/Feb/90

38 West 59 St. N.Y. City.

19 Feb'y 1910.

Dear Collins:-

Thanks for your postal card, which did me heaps of good. But I didn't buy the camera after all. Now don't get alarmed; It wasn't because of your advice, but because of other circumstances. The day following I found exactly the same thing, as far as I can see (save one detail) for $60. I have now, purchased today a 3A. Hawkeye model 1. volute shutter $\frac{1}{150}$ sec BTL-Zeiss Tessar. The other combination gave me an imported Zeiss. (probably a better lens) but I don't believe I showed enough difference, but the shutter went only to $\frac{1}{100}$ sec. I may be wrong in it, but I can sell again for something. as the camera is new - the firm is reliable & guarantees the goods to be in OK condition. Now, I am out for instructions as to books, tripod &c &c. Incidentally they tell me I can use plates if I wish by some device

the the machine takes the NC Kodak film, regularly.

Frankly, I expect I shall sell again on my return from Europe, as I expect I shall never get the camera craze very badly. But I may be glad that I have taken the camera along, and can stand the cost this time. I am not very enthusiastic over it I confess. Instead of getting new glasses, by the way, I am to have the pair I had glasses I got yesterday, fixed up by a good firm and make them 90.– I also shall want your advice later about some other points as they come up–

Not much doing here, I have been up so late for the past three nights that I feel about all in and have been asleep for two hours this PM (got to bed at 2 am & was up at 7 am ~~today~~).

Have had a letter from Holgate this week. Other things, he writes have kept him from Moses for 3 years, & he is now getting back

to his old joys. I wonder if I'm going to be in the same boat. All my things have been shipped to Round Pond Me, where my cousin Henry Chamberlain will look out for them. At least they will be dry there, and I hope safe from rats!
I'm getting very callous to the thought of loss. In April I shall sort out the things to be sold & then let them lie packed until further notice.

Not much else to write of, and I am too woefully stupid to make it worth while. Tonight.
What's a focusing screen?

Cordial regards to all of you.

Chamberlain.

503 W. 121st St

27 Feb. 1910

Dear Collins:-

I have just had word from Dr. Hagen in Trondhjem that the specimens of Pogonatum alpinum distributed through the Moss Chapter by Dr Bonser, (Bryol xii 74 (1910)) are P. macounii. also that the Taylonia aerata of the same volume p 94 "is probably T. tenuis." Dr Hagen sent me some specimens of Pog. alpinum which I share with you as enclosed. They certainly bear out your contention that our ordinary form is **not** P. alpinum. I'll try to keep an eye out for Polytrichaceae for you this summer. May I, if need arises send direct from Europe to Providence?

Nothing new here. Cordially

E. B. Ch.

Mar. 3, 1910.

Dear Chamberlain-

Thank you very much for the specimens of Polyporus which came a few days ago. Thank you also for the information in regard to the changes of names mentioned. I like to keep in touch with such changes.

I shall be glad to have you keep an eye open for the Polytrichaceae this summer. If it more convenient for you to do so send the specimens direct of Providence.

We are all pretty well here. Have been enjoying a thaw. There is a good prospect that I shall be in New York City some time between now and the 20th. I will let you know just when later. I expect to go down into Pennsylvania on a U.S. junket for about 10 days, and shll have a little work to do out on Long Island either going or coming.

Cordially,

Dear C:-

Thanks for your card —
I shall be right glad to see you —
I have engagements the 17th & 18th in the evenings
and am busy every afternoon until 5.30
now. I just say this so that you won't
come & miss me. I have also an open
date for the 12th, afternoon, but that can
be put off. Hope to see you, as I want
to discuss camera. Haven't had time
to touch mine yet.

Cordially.

EBC Mch 7/10

Home address is 503 West 121, just
as last year. You will find me at school
from 8 AM to 3.30 PM any day. 88 W. 59

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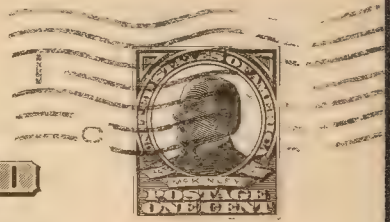

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Prof. J. F. Collins,
46 S. Hope St.,
Providence,
R. I.

Dear Cousins:

Your card at hand. Unfortunately the absence of a teacher at school has put us in a hole, I am chock-a-block with work, so I shan't be able to see you until Saturday evening, when I'll call at the Grand Union Hotel, & find you. I shall want you to come up there Sunday, will give you details later. Have to close now, it is 1 AM & I have more papers yet to correct.

Cordially,
E. B. Sh.,

St Patrick's Day – or rather the morning after.

503 W. 121 St. N.Y.C.

Have Pringle Music Mex, for you to see.

503 W. 121 St. N.Y.City
April 6. 1910

Dear Collins:-

Just a word to let you know of my safe arrival here after vacation, and of a few changes that have occurred. First, I'm not going to Europe as planned. The younger son of the family has been so seriously ill this winter, and is still so unwell that the doctors are unwilling that he should venture upon it. So that project is up the spout. The people want me to come with them for the summer but I'm not inclined to do so. I saw the man, Mr. Goldman, today and he stated that the trip was only postponed &c, but that is of course very indefinite. Between you and I and the bed post, I am strongly minded to cut loose and spend the summer myself in England & Scotland. At least I'm going to look the matter up Saturday before making Mr. Goldman a final reply. I might as well get an absolute rest while I can do so, and think the change will do me good.

Otherwise things move along very quietly here, and the work of the term bids fair to be well

underway next week. Do you know where I can get a ~~fo~~ copy of Dr Farlow's paper on 1753 as a ~~starting~~ point for Cryptogamic Nomenclature? I have seen it spoken of several times.

I had a very busy time at Round Pond and Cumberland during the ten days I was there but got all fixed up in shape for leaving an indefinite time. Goodness only knows when I shall get back there again. At least, all the plants and books are where they will "keep"

Hope you had a good time on your trip in Pennsylvania, you certainly had ideal weather for it much of the time. Hope all your folks, too, are feeling well and enjoying life. Please give them my most cordial regards.

Sincerely
Edward B. Chamberlain.

April 11, 1910

Dear Chamberlain:-

I certainly had ideal weather for the Penn. trip. Three days I was working with my sleeves rolled up above the elbows, and two days I had my hat off most of the time and was perfectly comfortable all the time. Easter afternoon I pecked quite a bunch of Arbutus to bring home, part of it was in full bloom. But most of it was only well along in bud. I returned via the Ctr. Maryland route form Jersey City to Harlem.

Am sorry to hear that you have got to change your plans for the summer. Where do the people go who want you to join them?

I do not know where you can get a copy of Farlow's paper on nomenclature. Perhaps Dr. Robinson might be able to tell you. I had quite a talk with Farlow within a week of the time that he sailed. Am glad to say that he is a strong advocate of the same date that I am for the starting point for the mosses (Hedwig, 1801)

Let me know when you decide about your summer. If you are about New England perhaps we can get in a few days together in early September.

Cordially,

busy probably up to the time of opening of school. Have a tentative bid for a week near Rochester Sep. before I join the G's. don't know yet.

Thanks for information about Dr Farlow's paper. Will write Dr R. as soon as may be. All quiet here, rapidly settling down to business & cramming for exams.

Cordially.

E. B. G.

12 Apr. 1910.

POSTAL CARD

THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Prof. J. F. Loeliais,
418 High St.,
Providence,
R. I.

THE SPACE BELOW MAY BE USED FOR CORRESPONDENCE

Dear C.:

Have arranged to spend the summer (after July 5) with the Goldmans, most of the time somewhere in Adirondacks. Now to

38 2est 59 St. New York City.

30 April, 1910.

Dear Collins:-

All is serene, and the goose hangs high. Hence, can you tell me the year in which the following was published. "New Contributions to Canadian Bryology" By N. Conr. Kindberg, Ph.D. Upsala, Sweden. It bears the heading," Reprinted from the Ottawa Naturalist, Vol xxiii, November and January issues, with out change in paging" The paging is consecutive, nevertheless, from p,137 to 155. What is the year of the same, and is it issued every other month, or monthly, or only semi-occasionally? Any information that you can give will be thankfully received, &c.

I suppose that you have received the annual notice that the obsequies of the Josselyn Botanical Society will be celebrated in Jackman. Do they really have a hotel there that merits the price of 2.25 per day, "reduced from $3.00" as Knight writes? I have sent cards to all the members of the N.E. Club that I thought might be interested, and have sent a notice to Rhodora. Can you suggest anyone? Pray God that it gets published before the meeting. Last year I wrote the notice for the Report of the Committee on Bryophytes. Suppose you issue the report of "nothing doing" this year. I should like to have it by the 1st of June, if you can, as I shall be right busy the remainder of the month and shall start for the North Woods the 18th. Prehaps I have not told you that I have decided to spend the summer in the Adirondacks, with the same people with whom I should have gone to Europe, had not the kid been sick. I join them right after the Fourth, and shal spend the time between with a friend, named O'Connor campingsomewhere in the

neighborhood of Rochester N. Y. So I shall have to get all the business of things cleared up before I leave.

I have re-engaged my room for the next year, as much as can be do done at present, and shall have in addition the room that mother had. So I shall feel quite like a prince, and can really entertain visitors. Remember that when you come to the burg next year. Then I can get a chance to talk to you between whiles.

Have you a dozen good specimens of anything that will do for a foreign exchange, preferably something that does not occur in Europe? I find that I shall have a lot of small offerings, and am going to make a special distribution to a favored few, who have stood by in a pinch. There will be some Japanese, some New Zealand, and others. Will let you know later just what it will be.

Well, must attend to a lot more letters tonight, and catch up with several odds and ends of work. Hope all of you are well, and feeling fine. Please remember me to everybody. Today I invested in a Kodak tank developer, and will try it on the two films that I found time to use up while in Maine. It is the hardest time to get the chance to do any such work. But I shall have a little chance at school, Saturdays, for a week or two.

Sincerely,

E.B.L.

May 8, 1910.

Dear Chamberlain:--

Don't know as I have anything special to write about, but I think it is about time to answer your questions in your letter of Apr. 30, 1910.

There is evidently a mixup in regard to the Kindberg contribution. You have the title correct. The species numbered from 1 (Alsia californica) to 35 (Grimmia avataeformis) inclusive are published in Ott. Nat. for Nov, 1909, pages 137--143. The species numbered 36 (G. diversifolia) to 104 (Thamnium pseudo-neckeroides) are on pages 180--191 of the Jan. 1910 issue. Both these issues of the Ott. Nat. are included in vol. xxiii, which ends with the March issue.

These articles do not seem to be published either monthly, bimonthly, or semi-occasionally, but rather, I should say, demi-sporadically, as the railroads are in the habit of saying "subject to change without notice".

I received the Josselyn notice and sent regrets. Don't know about the Jackman hotel, but the price surprises me. Why don't you send a card to Rand and ask him to read it at the June meeting of the N.E.BOT. Club?

I cannot think of anything to write a bryophyte report about. I will try and think of something, but if I fail to so do, I think it will do no special harm to forget a report for one year. Have not other committees occasionally forgotten? What think you?

Cordially,

38 W. 59 St. N.Y. City,
15 May, 1910.

Dear Collins:

Thank you very much for your note about Kindberg's effusion in the Ottawa Naturalist. I have affixed your letter to my copy, where you may bear witness to generations yet unborn.

Goodness no, I don't care about any Joselyn Society report and am not over anxious to have the job of transmitting it. The committee will have to attend to most of the work, in my opinion. Some Sundayscoon, I shall go over the whole mess, get my report ready to send off, deposit it with the President, and, like Pilate, wash my hands of the whole transaction.

The enclosed represents my offe[illegible] in the Bryologist, with a few bits more for yours truly

It is really a rarety this time.

No especial news here. Was in Pittsburg over last Saturday and Sunday, visiting. Had a grand good time, but in consequence have been pushed with work before and since. Last summer I thought I found Camptothecium nitens at Cumberland, and was much puzzled thereat, as the region is not calcareous. Now the plant turns out to be Thuidium pulchrum; blast it. That same [illegible] has deceived me more than once. It is impossible to devise a key for it. Certainly no one could locate it by Barnes & Heald.

Well, must utilize this spare Sunday, toward getting letters written.

Regards to you all,

E. B. Ch.

38 W. 59 St. N.Y.C. V-22-10.

Dear C.

Have you any knowledge about Luerssen. Studien zur vergleichenden Morphologie u. phylogenetischen Systematik der Laubmoose, of which I sent you a circular some time since? It is published by Mayer Lantz Berlin.

All well here & busy as usual, here here catching up with odds and ends of work today.

Sincerely
E.B.Cl.

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THIS SIDE MAY BE USED FOR CORRESPONDENCE

38 West 59th St. N.Y. City.
May 28. 1910.

Dear Cousins:-

I appeal to you in my difficulty. I am sending to you by mail today a photo negative and a print therefrom, which requires your opinion as to whether a successful enlargement can be made from it. It is about the only recent picture of mother that I have. Took it to a photographer in Portland last September, who said he could enlarge from it. He twiddled & twadaled, getting nothing done, save to make excuses, until at last I told Dr. Fellows to claim the whole affair, send it to me, pay any bills, & tell the photographer to go to Hell with my compliments. I have received the plate & print today and send to you. Please give me your candid opinion. Also if there is any place in Providence where such work is done, which is reliable, would you mind placing the order for me? I know of no place here, and shall not be in town over three weeks longer. If too much bother, return it at my expense & tie me in the face. I'd like 2 dozen pictures made, small enough to go on an 8x12 cm card, and to have the plate from which they are made also, if possible. I prefer the smaller size, as it is much easier to send by mail and I wish to send pictures to mother's relations in the West &c. Also, if I have the plate myself, I can make more about

the supply give out. Let me know what you think of it.

Have during the last few days, developed up the two rolls of film which I have thus far spoiled, and find the tank developer does good work. It is the only thing that I could use as I have not even at school any photo facilities. I seem to run to over-exposures (very dark film) save one that I exposed 8 minutes! That was a trial of my desk with the smallest stop, on a fairly decent, tho not sunny day. I gave it all the time I should lift books, & two minutes more for good luck.

I shall begin to make blue prints first I think, as I have to work in the bedroom here at the house. Then I can see what films are worth keeping.

What causes bubbles to form on a film? I have been very careful to have temperature as per directions, a trifle cool if anything, and I hardly used the film roughly. How long is it safe to let a film wash, & how short a time too. How long can it stay in the fixing bath? As most developing has to be done after school, it is a convenience if I can let the film soak over night in a jar of water after fixing and then dry it the next day. I'll send you some samples as soon as I get a chance. Goodness knows there is little enough time to do things with me.

As I understand it, the method with blueprints is to print 'em in sunlight, then dump into water in ordinary weak daylight and let 'em soak an hour or so, then dry on a clean surface & there you are. Am I right? I must use some method that requires the minimum of time, trouble and apparatus at present.

The Lord permitting I leave here June 18th, the day Teddy returns, for Rochester N.Y. and shall be back on the 1st July, to join my Behrens folks on the 6th. The person I'm going with promises to teach me swimming in the interim. Pray to Lord he's successful.

Thanks for your card about the Loeske book. I don't know whether to invest or not. Have rec'd a copy of Jackson's Cryptogam Nomenclature paper through the kindness of Miss Day at Gray Herb.

Were I must get ready to start for Bay Ridge to attend a lacrosse game. My kind regards to all the folks.

Sincerely

J Chamberlain

June 2, 1910

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter of the 28th reached me just about as I was intending to do a little experimantal work along a certain line of photography. I thought I woudl try experimenting with your negative. Haven't had very good luck, as you will see by the inclosed. I am afraid if a much greater enlargement is tried considerable will be lost in clearness. Is the inclosed anything like the size you want? and is it about what you want otherwise? The smaller print was made from the negative you sent, the larger one from a negative I made from the print. If this new negative is of any use toyou I shall be glad to donate it to you. It is a 3 1/4 by 4 1/4.

There are several things that might cause bubbles on the films. From my own experience they can be formed by sudden changes of temperature between different baths, by a plain hypo bath instead of an acid one, and I think also (though I don't know this from experience) from too long washing. I find it works very well to develop in the early evening, wash during the evening and hang up to dry in the late evening. I thin k your idea is correct in regard to blue prints though I never made one.

Father an nother are planning to celebrate their golden wedding on the 24th of the month.

Cordially

June 3. 1900.

38 W. 59th St. N.Y. City.

Dear Collins:-

Your letter with the pictures came this morning, and are very welcome. I didn't intend to have you make the pictures and enlargements, to sponge on you, tho I reckon you know that already. I wanted to get an opinion on the feasibility. Your opinion is perfectly satisfactory, so it seems.

The picture marked R 15 on the back, the lighter one, is just what I hoped for, and I am much pleased with it. If you will send along the negative, I'll see to having the rest of the trick attended to.

Thank you for the hints about the film. The worst is, that I have to do my developing after school at odd

home, just now. Later perhaps I can get a chance to work here at the house.

Sunday, if pleasant, I shall try some blue prints in the afternoon, and see what luck I have. If satisfactory they will furnish an easy means of testing all negatives.

A postal from Dupret this morning announces the death of F. Renauld the French mess-student; no particulars were at hand when Dupret wrote, but I'll let you know when I hear.

I shall probably send to you, at the Herbarium, or where else you may direct, a little remuneration for your father & mother, before I leave the city.

Regards to you all,

E. H. Ca.

38 W. 57th St. N.Y. City
June 1, 1910.

Dear C:-

The two negatives came today in good condition. I am very muchly obliged for them, I assure you. I shan't have the chance to do any picture making with them this coming week, but hope to in the autumn. At least I have the chance, & means now. Have tried a few prints with the blue print paper works well, but I got all upside down & inside out at first. I have an idea now as to the time needed for the work, at least. Will note your remarks regarding the bundle — and govern myself accordingly — I will go in your name — but probably from the dealers, so look out.

C.

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THE SPACE BELOW IS FOR THE ADDRESS ONLY.

Prof. J. F. Collins.
468 Hope St.
Providence,
R. I.

38 West 59th St., N.Y. City.
June 11, 1910.

Dear C:-

Today I ordered a package sent to you from George Busse, of this city. It is for your father and mother, with my best wishes and congratulations. I have departed a trifle from the beaten track of presents, and hope that it may give a great deal of pleasure to both of them. I think it is something that all of you will enjoy. If you will see that it is properly delivered, I shall be very greatly obliged to you.

Have just purchased the Bryologia Europaea, (Mitten Edwards copy) from G. E. Stechert & Co., of this city. Wish me joy — Complete, original, no reprinted plates, in good condition

I shall feel poverty stricken for a year or more now.

Sincerely

Chamberlain

Deal, N.J. July 12, 1910.

Dear Collins:

Just a word: Tomorrow we leave for the adirondacks, and you may address me at Camp Wenonah, Saranac Inn, N.Y. until about the 15th of Sept.

I intended to write a note to your mother and father before I left New York or while I was at Rochester, but it was no use. I have never spent two weeks of such utter and delightful laziness. Canandaigua Lake is the westernmost (save Cuyahuna) of the ~~chain~~ series of lakes that stretches N and S, across New York. The elevation is about 800 ft, with hills of 150-300 ft higher around it, in fertile, rolling, partly cleared land. The contours in many ways remind me of the region around Belgrade, Me, save that there are very few, if any bogs.

The country is underlain by nearly horizontal shales, limestones, & the Salina Salt beds. Mosses are scanty, other vegetation very interesting but hardly abundant in number of species.

Fitz O'Connor (a mining engineer about to graduate from Columbia) and I did loaf most shamefully for the two weeks. The Saturday before we visited Niagara, then on the 20th June we went to Canandaigua Lake, and I did not stir or do a thing until we came back July 1st.

I arrived in N.Y. July 5th early in the morning, and that evening your postcard was delivered to me. So you see how things were. I'm sorry not to see you.

Wednesday the 6th I came down here to Deal, where the Goldmans have their summer home, a fine big house on the bluff at the edge of the sea. This week it has been hot as hell (literally)

and is yet. So I shall postpone writing any more until we get to Saranac, for Leave Rep. tomorrow Evening.

Let me hear from you occasionally. and I will try to write my impressions from time to time also.

Sincerely
E.B.C.

Adirondacks

~~SARANAC INN~~
Upper Saranac, N. Y.

Camp Wenonah
9 Sept. '10.

Dear Collins:-

I've been horribly neglectful of you this summer. Somehow there have been so many things to do this summer that letterwriting has been thrust into the background. My work, you know, is primarily to act as guide, philosopher, and friend to the two Goldman boys here, supervise their lessons and help amuse them. It has left very little spare time for myself I assure you, save bits before breakfast (as now) and before going to bed. As for botany in any way, shape, or form, I haven't had a moments time, save on two or three afternoons when I have taken short tramps with that in mind. Nothing worth while has turned up, however. The boys care very little for walks in woods, and when on them my attention has to be given wholly to the amusement side of the game.

This region is well wooded, but granitic, without any waterfalls, in fact without many large brooks, and the mos. flora is very poor in number of species, save the most common ones. The hills immediately around camp are low, and we have had but few chances to visit the higher mountains, although this coming week I hope we go over Whiteface and Marcy. One trip has already been taken by boats, through the Tupper Lakes, to Forked Lake, Long Lake and the Raquette River, this was very pleasant to me, but gave no chance for collecting. The older boy is so selfish and lazy that he disgusts me fearfully at times. You know how delightful such a one is when camping. The trip contained no real camping as each night we stayed in hotels. but we covered about 100 miles through very picturesque, wild country, full of deer, bear, eagles, and beaver! Part of it was through H C Whitney's private estate (two full townships or more), where everything is strictly preserved, and all forms of wild life are abundant. Even elk have been introduced there and are said to be on the increase. The country reminded me very much of the region around Rowe Ponds, save that the hills along the lakes were higher.

The camp here, is very elaborate, some 10 buildings, with hot and cold water, acetylene, etc. ~~the~~ There are a dozen servants beside the family, and nothing is omitted which leads to comfort. I find it very pleasant, and receive the most considerate treatment but showed in many ways prefer a true, rough camp. I have my rucksack & other outfit here, and wear khaki shirts but never dare put on a khaki suit save for real woods work. Both the boys have khaki suits, and at times wear them. The younger one has the making of a good woodsman in him if he could live here a year or two in real country surroundings. The elder is too lazy, and too much of a pig.

It's nearly breakfast time, and I must stop. My new York address (home address) will change this year so mail had best go to the school after the 22d of the month. I hope to get away from here the 25th at the latest. Labor Day I spent in the Thousand Islands with my principal, Dr Koenig. It rained a good deal of the time, and we could not go around much, but I found the rest very pleasurable. It must be a fine country up there.

Hope you have been well this summer, and not utterly prostrated by heat. I also hope that all the folks are well. Please give them my cordial regards. Let me hear how the world has wagged with you this summer, and let me know if you will be in N.Y. during the fall.

Sincerely
E. B. Chamberlain.

38 West 59 St
New York.
Apr. 26. 1910.

Dear Collins:-

I wish to ask a question of you or two; a real letter will follow soon.

You have had some experience in the sectional book case question:- what kind do you advise me to obtain? and about how expensive do you find them? I should like to have a reply so that I can do my purchasing this coming week, or sooner if possible. What size section do you find the most useful? Of course the largest books Dictionary, Atlas, Bulfinch's will go in a case claiming 13 inches inside.

By the way, if you are in N.Y. I have now a chance to accomodate a friend over night, my house address is 404 West 115 St; [Warren Hall; Apr 24] but mail should be sent to the 38 W 59 St address.

Regards to you all

E. B. Ch.

Oct. 2, 1910.

Dear Chamberlain:-

I have just discovered your letter of the 26th ult. among my unanswered letters. I intended to have answered it promptly, but it arrived just as college opened and in the rush of that season it was overlooked. I really don't know as I can give you much valuable information in regard to sectional bookcases, as I have never used but one make---the Globe-Wernicke. These have proved very satisfactory, but I imagine there is something better on the market by this time, for instance, the ~~Mary~~ Macey people are now putting a very good sectional bookcase on the market, I believe. I understand there are some metallic ones on the market also, though I know nothing about them.

The section of the Globe-Wernicke that I find the most useful is the C11 No.299, costing $3.00 ~~in~~ each. This carries the ordinary 8vo book.

At the time I first bought my cases there ~~were~~ was only one size made, and this size was, of course, the one I bought, consequently I have had no experience with more than one size.

I believe these cases are made with the idea that they can be made to fit in almost any kind of a space if the proper ones are bought. I would advise you to measure the space in which you wish them to fit and then figure on getting a combination to fit that space.

I wish I could give you more direct information on the subject.

Hastily, but cordially,

Dear C:-

Thanks for your letter and the reprints, it was what I wanted. Am, like you, rushed now. Have you seen Frey's Polytrichaceae of western N. Am. each ben 1 species figured. Proc. Wash. (DC) Acad. Sci xii No 3 pp 271-328. Fig 1-30: 16 Jan 1910. for it write B.W. Evermann, Bureau of Fisheries. Wash. D.C. Will try to get a real letter off to you as soon as the pressure eases up. Regards

Sincerely

E.B.C.

Oct. 4/10

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence R. I.

404 West 115 St. N.Y. City.

8 Oct. 1910.

Dear Collins:-

Just now I think I have the chance to write you a short letter that shall tell something about the summer.

The camera has worked beautifully, as far as all mechanical details go. The human element is still too variable. Sometimes I get good results sometimes not. The exposure is of course what bothers me most of all. Some of the films I developed myself, but found on the whole that the facilities at camp were not such as to make it very practical. Have done no printing at all, save cyanide (blue pr.), and have had all the work done by Cole & Co, Asbury Park N.J. It is far better than I could do myself. You know I have little time, and here would have to do it all in school at odd hours, without really the proper accomodations. So I expect that for the present I shall do all the snapping - but let another person develope and print. The timing of exposures bothers me. Where the conditions are apparently alike, the two exposures do not give commensurate or comparable results. This winter if I can scare up time, I must work out my own set of exposures. Of one thing I feel certain, that 16 1/50 for stop and time is not my finest combination. I got a few fine ones, however, by using the 45 stop and a long time. Most of the pictures are of landscape, country &c, I didn't care for how the folks looked in most cases. But the camera has been worth the cost to me in fun already. Next I shall try a ray-filter, for use on distant views. Do you know a good one?

The bookcase letter was just what I wanted, and I expect to have mine installed by Wednesday. The poor books get pretty dusty here in an

open case. Moreover, I hope the cases will be good enough to warrant permanent possession.

Botanically the summer has been about zero. Where the camp was located was well wooded, but with so heavy a growth that there was little variety. No oak at all, beech, maple, birch, spruce, pine, hemlock & fir, with the usual bushes for undergrowth, about like the Bristol or Cumberland old growth. There were not, however, many brooks, only one or two little rills near camp, and these furnished few species. There was little outside the ~~twenty~~ common mosses. The region is granitic, no wet cliffs, and near camp no bogs at all. Elevation was 1650 at lake, with the hills from 300-500 feet higher. Of course I could not make any long trips, to really study the country, since I was teaching every morning, and had to keep the boys amused the remaining time. I did on occasions stroll around near camp, but found little. A few packets may yield results if I ever get a chance to examine them. One or two look funny. About the last day I was there I came across a funny thing, which I have by chance had determined, Fossombronia foveolata, would you like a bit? I have several packages in quantity of the common things for exchange abroad. There were some funny gaps in the flora. Not a bit of Drummondia did I see, and I hunted all summer for fruiting D. fulvum, finding not over a dozen capsules. Dicranoscoparium forms were abundant, but I saw no D. undulatum, no D. Drummondii, and but little flagellare. Ulotas were not common, mostly intermedia. Grimmia Pennsylvanica was not seen in the Saranac region, and only once or twice elsewhere, but on the few trips I had no time to study floras.
Not much Polyt piliferum or P. juniperinum could be seen, almost wholly Ohioense. Pog. brevicaule everywhere, with Ceratodon & Funaria, filled the spaces.

The upper end of the lake, 8 miles away, has a lot of poorly drained sand plain bogs & sunken ponds, & should like to go over it carefully, but there wasn't any chance. On the trip over Macey & I did grab frantically for half an hour, and have Andreaea sp. Hypnum (blunt-purple leaved), Sphagnum recurvum ?? & a few others, of which more as I get time to sort 'em out.

The camp ym see, ~~was~~ is a group of buildings (main house, casino, boat-house, launch house, childrens playhouse, kitchen, ice ho. gas ho. servants quarters ~~&c~~) fitted up with all modern conveniences in the way of plumbing, hot water, & acetylene. Standing some 40 feet above the lake level on a small point, in the deep woods, about 1/2 mile from anywhere, it is completely isolated. The trees have been well thinned out on the knoll, giving plenty of light and air, while the main road is about 150 yards back up a slight hill. It is on the west shore, and the land rises steeply behind it, while to the east is the lake, some 3/4 mile wide, with the opposite shores sloping up to Stoney Ck, and Seward Mts, (the latter some 4000 ft high). We can also get just a glimpse of the higher hills towards Ampersand and Whiteface. There was little cleared land anywhere around the lake, and fortunately no burned mountains, the Bark-bay fire, to the N.E. some 10 miles was afire all summer.

The family consisted of Mr. & Mrs. Goldman, their 20-yr daughter, two boys 13½, 15½; and myself, but only at the very end did the party approach these proportions, there were often as many as 18 there and twice 22, being the various friends & relatives of the family &c. They seemed to take pride in having a crowd at the house, partly perhaps because they were not good hands at entertaining themselves in the country. Indeed they saw but little of the country;

Card & pool playing, tennis, fancywork & jabber, took up most of the time. There were two launches at camp, one a comfortable boat speeded 12-18 miles per hour, the other a narrow, high speed thing, which dressed you with water all the time. They never used the slower boat when possible to go in the other, but instead would get into rubber coats, or even cover themselves completely, head & all, and be snaked along at high speed, so that seeing the country was impossible. Several times they went to the Upper End of the lake on Sundays, to get a ride & fetch the mail, when they were so covered with waterproofs & rugs that they couldn't see 10 feet. Only once, in spite of gorgeous moonlight nights did anyone go out on the lake to see it. Aside from pure air, early hours, and a certain amount of exercise, they would see as much country in Central Park. A certain small hill (Panther Mt.) was near camp. All the young folks climbed it once, but never went back although the view was really excellent. Mr. G didn't walk 6 miles all summer. The boys, of course, did more for I snaked them off. The younger one really took to it, and by a year or two of the real thing could be brought to enjoy the woods a little. — As you may gather from our having 12 servants besides the two men attached to the camp, roughing it was not very much in evidence.

Whenever I went off with the boys I had so much overeight and entertaining to do that I saw little of the country. The Camperdown climb was only one day, and the weather was hazy, but could I have taken it slowly, there is no doubt but that I should have "found things". They never wanted to go again however.

The two real trips were Raquette river & Tupper Lakes, & the Marcy-Keene Valley one, each lasting 5 days. The first was in boats, which ~~we~~ the guides carried. I had the boys carry their dunnage (twice what was needed) and we stopped each night at a hotel. It was very pretty all along the route, but not so very much work in it, tho I rowed & paddled a good deal. and the

boys thought they did. The other trip had considerable tramping & work in it, staying one night in a log farmhouse, another in a brush lean-to. It made the boys pine for home. The older one is rather sissified, but the younger has in him the making of a real man. He did his share of work and was plucky.

Whiteface Mt. is a stiff climb, but the day was so hazy that the view was about nothing. The next day was one long drizzle, so that a 38-mile drive to the South Meadow was not as interesting as I hoped. Mercy, then, was fine, we had very clear weather & could see in all directions. For instance the whole green mt. range was clearly outlined, while the nearby peaks were very sharp. The same good weather favored us at Keeseville, where I hope to have some fine pictures, at Keene, & at North Elba on the way back. A slight strain in the foot of our boy (the plucky fellow never let on until I caught him limping), made me go home earlier, giving up Indian Pass & the Seward foothills. All in all, then, it was really a great spot in the mountains, the view at North Elba, where you are surrounded by hills & Mts, of the whole adirondack system at a glance, being the finest I have ever seen.

Sometime I hope to take a long leisurely jaunt through the whole region again, and watch for the really worthwhile things. Doing it quietly, without very expensive apparatus, it would make a fine trip, and a not over-expensive one, especially if it could be done in a party of two or three. Two is best, for then only one guide would be needed on the occasions when one is really needed. There is a deal of real unspoiled country there, and a few unspoiled people in it.

I was there late enough to get the burst of autumn coloring

which came on the last of September, whole mountainsides became vividly red, orange & yellow almost in a night. The two boys were away after the deer they didn't get, leaving only four of us in camp. This gave me three days of real rest and repose, which I enjoyed thoroughly. Came here the morning of the 26th and by another week expect to be comfortably settled in my new quarters. The people with whom I have been for the past three years moved in September, kindly attending to the transfer of all my things. We are on 115 St, just about a block east of Amsterdam Ave, in the second floor front apartment of a new house, northern exposure. I have the dining room and maids room of the apartment, situated at the extreme western end, and thoroughly comfortable. Situation like this I am possibly two blocks (short ones) from the subway at 116 & Broadway, and have everything needful for comfort even to a special toilet (but not wash stand) in my bedroom. (All servants rooms are so furnished here). There is a spare cot in the room, and I can now ask anyone to stop here, who doesn't mind my being away 9/10ths of the day. When you come here, make this your headquarters whenever you want. The bedroom looks on the court, and since this is a 2d story aptment in a 6 story house, it will be dark in winter, but all told, it is far more convenient than my old room with all crowded into one place.

I suppose you have heard that just 2 people were in attendance upon the Jocelyn meeting, Dr Fellows & Miss Willis (or Mr. Stubbs). The kneel of the whole thing has been rounded I fear. Still, the Dr. Knight, didn't put in an

appearance, they selected him president. My youthful days are over, I am completely disgusted: from now on, Maine botany can go to the dickens, as far as I am concerned, if the J.B.S. is connected with it in any way. I like certain Maine botanists, but I will not do any more work for Maine botanical organizations.

Pretty soon, when the book cases are set up in shape, I shall hope to get in touch again with some of my work on mosses. School is going to be full of work this year, but it looks as if I might get the time to correct some of the papers in school and so have a trifle more time to myself outside. By a change in the curriculum, there are 5 less recitation periods per week, thus leaving two full study periods per day for the boys to use in lesson-preparation. We have required all teachers to remain until 3PM, (as I did anyhow), but the last 1½ hrs. have no recitations in them. As soon as school is running evenly, I shall have part of this time for correcting papers, and so gain time evenings.

I hope your vacation in Maine proved thoroughly enjoyable, and gave you a good bit of Maine ozone, and that you have returned all the better for it. How are all the Providence folks anyway? Do write me a bit about them and give them my very best regards. When you find time, also, let me know any bits of gossip that are floating around the University.

I enclose a spare photo, showing my two boys & a guide on top of Lempesauk, the older boy is the one in the middle, notice his child-like face.

The picture was taken in full sun, but on a slightly hazy day, about 3 or 4 p.m.

Stop 11. 1/100 sec. but seems overexposed judging from film. Developed & printed by Eastman Co. this has been a long letter, and I have lots more to write, so this is all on your side of the balance sheet.

My kindest regards to you all,

E. B. Cramwell.

By the way, don't think because I have written mostly about the funny or wearisome side of camp, that I needn't a good time. In spite of the fact that they were a trifle on my nerves at times, I spent a very pleasant summer; had the pleasure of knowing that I satisfied my employer, and am sure of Europe; gained 14 lbs and $390; and am in splendid health. Besides I know the folks are shown a handsome time.

E.

Dear J. F. C.,

Have you any recollection of a Rhodora article bearing on the Maine Tetraplodon mentioned in the inclosed letter? I think I sent you a bit of the specimen at the time. Mr. D. probably does not recollect the name exactly, which is why she refers to the last July Rhodora. I do not recall any publication of new species in Maine save the Katahdin one in Rhod III.

But cand cath. is in Maine, behind the times 3 years, and all the Rhodoraceae are with it. Will it be too much of a task to ask you to look it up. I ask you please to return the letter, also the enclosed photo, which I think a good one, considering that it was in the woods, at 6 AM. Sept 15th what do you think?

All well here and no especial news going the rounds. Have my Globe Wernicke book cases, and they are all right! Now if I can get books & moses, and time for study, won't it be fine. But I hardly dare dream of having spare time even this year.

Regards to all of you, most cordially,

E. B. C.

HOH W. 115 St. N.Y.C.
20 Oct. 19[illegible]

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.

Oct. 23, 1910

Dear Chamberlain:-

I have just had a chance to look up the matters mentioned in your letter of the 20th. I think Mrs. Dunham has slipped a cog. The references to Rhodora 3: are to my Katahdin articles on Tetraplodon angustatus and, as you say, Mrs. Dunham's Rangeley specimen is the same[det. by E.B.C.] In regard to T. australis this moss was published as occurring in or near New Bedford in Hervey's "Flora of New Bedford and the shores of Buzzard's Bay", mosses by R. G. Ingraham (1891). This is the only New England record which appears in my card catalogue.

I inclose the letter and also the photo (which is all right), glad to have seen it. I think you will like the book-cases.

Excuse haste and consequent brevity. More next time perhaps. All well here.

Cordially.

404 West 115 St. New York City.

Dec.4, 1910.

Dear Collins:-

The first part of this is a business letter pure and simple, about the Bryologist. You doubtless received a letter from Prof. Frye last summer about the possible taking over of the magazine by the University of Washington. That plan fell through on account of adverse action by the regents of the University.

Yesterday I had a long talk with Mrs. Smith the purport of which is as follows.

You know that the magazine has not really been a paying proposition, and that all the deficit has been assumed by Mrs. Smith herself. During the past thirteen years this has amounted to about $2200, though of late it has decreased somewhat This means the total deficit of course. On this account, and on account of the accident to her arm last year, Mrs S. feels that she cannot longer carry on the publication of the magazine. Hence, when the proposition came up about Prof Frye some year ago, she welcomed it with open arms. The idea was that the University was to assume financual responsibility for it all, continuing the Sullivant Society on the old lines and still having the magazine the official organ. None of us are willing that the whole thing go to smash now, if it is possible to avoid it.

When the news came of the action of the regents of the U of W Mrs S. had some talk with the New York Garden people, but Dr. Britton, whose word is law there, said positively that the only c conditions would be, the change on name to Bryologia, the severing of all connection with the Moss Society, and the increase of the price to Two dollars yearly. In fact he named conditions that seemed absolutely impossible.

After considerable talk the plan has been started that the control of the magazine be vested in a group of six editors who assume financial responsibility, in order that the bills be met promptly, the total deficit being apportioned equably at the end of the year. Each one of these ~~is~~ persons is to advance the cash needed for the payment for one issue, the reimbursement coming at the end of the year, when the subscriptions and such are all in. You see, the cash comes in in driblets, while the bills come in lumps. The average cost per number is about 65 dollars. Mrs. Britton will sponsor one number, Mrs. Smith another, I will take a third, and Mrs. B is to write Dr. Kennedy about a fourth. Mrs Smith thinks that Miss Haynes will also contribute, and prehaps Dr. Evans. It is also proposed to raise the price of the magazine to 1.25 with chapter dues at ~~1.00~~/ 1.50 thus trying to do away with the deficit to some extent. There is also a condiderable source of income now from the sale of the back numbers. I have little doubt that the matter of the financing of the magazine will be met satisfactorily. but the crucial matter remaining is that of Editor. You see, some person is needed to attend to the arrangement of articles for the press, for the publication and other things, and all feel that that person should

not have to put in any money in addition. The difficulty is to find a person who has the time, ability, and library facilities needed. The associate editors of course will do all that they can to help but there has to be some one person to take the realresponsibility of publication, in order to give unity to the plan.
Mr. Williams of the Garden has been suggested, but cannot serve because of Dr. Britton's hostility. All the work would have to be done outside of regular Garden hours, which means evenings, and Mr. W's eyes will not stand the strain. He would be willing were it not for the evident unpleasantness that is sure to be aroused. You see how things stand.

Now what I wish to know is, whether you know enough about Prof. Riddle of Wellesley to give some idea about his fitness for the job, provided he will undertake it. Mrs. Smith is very anxious to get some idea of the comparative merits of the various people. Had I as much time as I has in Washington, I would take the work, and get it done somehow, rather than see the magazine go to smash. Nichols of New Haven, Miss Lorenz, and Geo. B. Kaiser of Phila. have also been suggested. Mrs. Smith will write Dr. Evans for a advice today. She is also preparing a circular letter to be sent to all members of the moss society stating facts, what seems needful, and asking for suggestions.

I wish you would write me just what you think about the whole matter, and in such a form that I cam write your ideas to Mrs.Smith. Also, if you can say a good word for us with Kennedy it will be greatly appreciated.

I have not urged at all that you accept the post of managing editor, for I know that you are like myself, crowded with work. But, frankly Collins, I wish that you could see your way clear td do it. Whatever you may write on this last account will go no further with me. You have the books and the knowledge of press work that will mean a great deal in getting this thing started. The printing, of course, will be done where the editor lives. Mrs. S. will turn over all the rights, credits, and good will of the magazine, the back numbers, plates &c.
She wants to feel clear of the whole affair, though she will still serve a treasurer of the magazine society for a while. I think the reason is, that she is now getting along in years, and hopes to see the whole thing arranged upon a satisfactory basis before she gets too old, or passes away.

I hope that you will let me know within a few days what you think upon all this, and whatever suggestions you may care to make, especially about names of people whom we have not thought of.

Matters are going along here otherwise about as ever. Just now I have eleven hours per week of private lessons, makin two hours Saturday forenoon as well as the usual work in the week. This Saturday morning work will last only until Xmas, however. I have found a little spare time on two or three Saturdays to tackle mosses, and have unearthed several interesting things in the mosses from last summer, notably Sphagnum Pylaesii, and S. sedoides from Marcy, mixed with Hypnum sarmentosum. Then there is a

funny Dicranum, which I must send to Williams, having the leaf-structure of D. fuscescens, and the external appearance of D. elongatum. You have by this time already heard from MR. Winslow I suppose, about his finding Paludella squarrosa in Vermont, while Mrs Dunham has some magnificent specimens of D. majus, var orthophyllum from Grand Menan. I really feel a little more encouraged about the moss question since I have come into the new quarters as there is room for a few things, and the bits of time can be utilized. Don't forget that now I have a spare bed, and am able to entertain friends when they come to New York.

I shall go down to Maine during the Christmas holidays, and hope to get the remains of the probate business with mothers estate squared up. Whether or not I shall be able to stop off anywhere on the way is very doubtful. I must stay over night in Cumberland, and make a lot of calls while in Bristol. So I expect to have a rather strenuous time of it. Then, although school does not open until the 3d Jan. I ought to be back here on the 2d at the latest, so as to get things in running order again. I hate to come in on the sleeper from Boston and teach the same day. In fact I cannot, as there is too much to take down from the house. I think that there is a through train from New York now, for Portland, and I shall take it if possible, then try to make the Cumberland visits at the very start. But all this is rather in the air at present anyhow, depending somewhat on whether my cousin is going down at about the same time, on his way back from Washington.

You have probably received the notice from Weigel that Roth who issued Die Europaeischen Laubmoose, &c, has begun the publication of Die aussereuropaeischen Laubmoose, Band I is out, and costs Mk. 24. * I think that I shall subscribe, though I feel that I must go cautiously in the matter of books now. I have already subscribed for the new 11th edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica, to be delivered sometime in January. Good Lord, how the cash does disappear!

Now I must get to work upon some other delayed matters of correspondance, and stop this, I have been typewriting so long that my hands are tired, and refuse to spell correctly, I hope you can make all of this out. Give my regards to all the folks who I know must be well, or I should have heard from you.

Sincerely yours, Edward B. Chamberlain

* I find it is only Bd I Lfg I Price Mk 6.
4 Lfgn to a Band.

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R. I.
Dec. 6, 1910.

Dear Chamberlain:-

Yours of the 4th is at hand. To state facts plainly and briefly I am very very sorry that I can see no possible prospect of finding the time to undertake the work you suggest. I have hesitated about replying, for the temptation has been great, but it would be unwise, to say the least, for me to take up any more work when I am unable to attend to what I have already undertaken. I presume I may be criticised for not even offering to become one of the contributing editors, but, as matters stand at present, I cannot afford to do so. If you hear any adverse criticism of my not offering to be one of these you may (if you deem it wise) state the facts which follow, or so much of them as you choose; otherwise please do not publish them.

Father is out of work most of the time, and will be unable to work much more anyway. He has absolutely nothing laid away for a rainy day. Moreover, both his eyes are going just as your mother's did. Here at home we have known of this for some time, but have disliked to mention it, even to other members of the family, some of whom ~~xxxxx~~ are still ignorant of the condition of his eyes.

From what I have seen of Riddle (and that is considerable) I can say definitely that you will look far and wide before finding a better man for Editor-in-chief. He has the ability, is a scholar and a perfect gentleman, is careful and painstaking. I doubt whether he has the time, however. He was (last Friday) elected Cryptogamic Curator of the New England Botanical Club to succeed Hollis Webster. I imagine he is planning to put all his spare time into the work, but I may be mistaken, I hope I am for the sake of the future of the Bryologist.

We are about as usual here, and all hope you can get time to make us a visit on the way to or from Maine.

By the way, if you get any of the moss, for foreign exchange, that Beattie is offering in the current Bryologist I wish you would steal me a bit (merely for locality), although there will be no guarantee that it was collected in the locality that he says. I find I have no specimen from the locality mentioned. I have recently learned things about him that makes me want to have no direct correspondence with him unless absolutely necessary, hence the request.

Winslow gave me a little of the Paludella last Friday evening at the Club meeting. Apparently it is the first time it has been collected in New England, so far as my records show.

With best regards,

Dec. 7 - Wed.
1910.

Dear Collins:

Just a word to acknowledge your letter, and thank you very much for it.

As to your taking the Editor-in-chief-ship of the Bryologist, I was pretty confident that you were about in the position of which you write, when I wrote to you. So much so indeed, that I told Mrs. Smith that I did not see how you could take it with all the other work that you had on hand. I put it solely on the ground of work of course. Then when I wrote I slipped in a word for myself, well knowing that I could reach Mrs. S. at once should you be able to do so.

In regard to the contribution, I think no one will expect it, and as far as I know, the matter has never been broached. Your letter to me, I'll destroy; save the bit about Riddle, which I'm glad to learn

which I'll forward to Mrs. Smith. I hope he takes it.

As you say, the temptation is great to take such a job, I wish I had the time, but I can't do it and earn my living as a teacher, and I can't "retire" yet.

I'm very very sorry to learn what you write about your father. To be perfectly frank, Calvin, I have suspected that for you it has been a little hard sledding since he had to give up work, but I knew nothing of the eyes. I'm mighty sorry for all of you, especially for him, I know what a long hard time is ahead of you. Please, if ~~you~~ he knows that I know, tell him how very sorry I am.

I'll try to send you a switch of the Cynodonticum, tho' I haven't heard a word from Beattie myself, or any acknowledgment of a bundle of specimens sent him 8 or 9 months ago.

Glad to hear that Riddle is Curator for the N.E.B.C. Perhaps something may now be done on the herbarium, which has "hung fire".

Snow!! beautiful dusty slush, all over the city, a teacher sick, and your truly deep in work,

I'll let you know about the Xmas visit, I have been in Maine so long, that I don't see if it comes to pass. If not, I'll try to run down over some Sundays or perhaps some time in the Spring vacation, when I shall be at leisure.

Must drop a line to Mrs. Smith, and then dive into a heap of papers,

Regards to you all

E.P.G.

Saturday, 27th Dec. 1913.

Dear Collins:

I have "snitched" as you desired from the Beattie offering and enclose the results. The specimens were rather meagre, but of good quality. B. states that last April all his herbarium was destroyed by fire, including many irreplaceable exsiccati, etc, and bemoans at length. After what you have written & told me of him, I don't know whether to believe it or not.

Saw Mrs. Smith this afternoon, things look favorable for an ultimate solution of the Bryological difficulties, tho she has not heard from Dr. Riddle. If you see him, I hope you will speak a good word for it.

I leave here Thursday night for Maine on through train and shall count on being back here the 1st of June on the sleeper from Boston. Then I shall have two days for rest & recuperation before I ~~lea~~ have to commence school again.

Did you keep a copy of mother's picture for yourself? If not I'll send you one after the holiday rush is over.

Sincerely,

E. B. Ch.

404 W. 115 St.
7. Jan., 1911.

Dear Collins:-

Mrs. Denham writes me that she has sent you my postal regarding her Polytrichum gracile from Maine. Lest some misapprehension arise, I send you herewith the full text of Arnell & Jensen. :- I was glancing over the copy which I received from Jensen this week, and happened to run across the note, the last part of which I roughly translated and sent Mrs. D. You may have the whole thing.

I have had a very busy week, else I should have sooner written you to wish all of you a happy New Year. I hope it is really true, and you know I do not mean any stereotyped wish.

Vacation in Maine proved strenuous for me. Left here the night of the 22d, and went direct to Portland on through train, which arrived exactly four hours late, owing to a freight wreck on main line so sending us to Providence Pawtucket & Worcester. Friday afternoon & Saturday morning I spent making calls at Cumberland, the latter part of the time in a howling rain. Then went to Bristol Sat P.M.

Train was late & crowded, but I took Pullman & so for a good seat. Found so many acquaintances on the train, however, that I didn't use the seat very much. After leaving the train I had a 10 mile drive in the rain over mud and ice. The local stage was jammed full, and did not arrive until 6 hours after the train. 1 2/3 miles per hour is fast time isn't it. Mr Cousin and I got a private team and were home by 6.30

Christmas day was wholly rest. But the Mon. Tue & Wed. were spent in calls & by team at various parts of Bristol, thermometer varied from +6° – +20°. Lovely weather though, clear & crisp. Thursday in rain I made local calls on foot, and started back Friday, spending the afternoon in Portland. Lost 2 hours going to Boston that night because a hurricane kept all the semaphore & block signal lights blown out, and we had to stop to light them. Spent night at Hotel Essex, and took first train for Hingham in morning, spending day with Clarence Knowlton. You probably heard last evening the result of the days "collecting"

Then took midnight for N.Y. Sat. and had a complete rest with lots of sleep for Sunday & Monday. These days were my real rest during vacation.

The week has been crammed full, & closed by a stupid mathematical club dinner last evening, which I abandoned by 10 PM. Have slept over 2 hours this afternoon & am still sleepy.

E.H.K. says that yet another attempt will be made to galvanize the Josselyn Soc, by a winter meeting in Portland, on some date near March 1st, and the field meeting at Brunswick when hotel &c is cheap. I wish them joy, much joy. I saw Norton a few moments at Port. Soc. Nat. Hist, but had to sleep so long at my cousins, that I didn't see Fellows at all.

Mrs. Smith writes that Riddle can't take the Bryologist, but that Dr Grout will. so it goes there for the present. She says that she (Mrs S.) will keep after G. with a sharp prod, and see that he gets things out on time. Reckon she has a job cut out for herself tho the work otherwise will be lighter.

The first part of the Mesozoopäischen Laubmoose; Roth — is just at hand &c

describes with keys all species of Lindenia, and starts Lechidinus. The keys include two separate divisions: I European II Non European. There are descriptions of 101 species of Lindenia & I-VIII plates, mostly from "Originalexemplaren". The plates are about on a par with the Europäische Laubmoose, but its valuable from the collation & descriptions. I have subscribed for whole work. It follows E & P closely.

I have also the job of translating Dismier's revision of American Philonotis for the Bryologist, it will be N. Am species wholly, and only include keys, descriptions of n species &c &c to make general results available. Dismier writes that he will be mightily pleased thereat &c &c. Don't you feel that I'm a fool to tackle new work, with my continual howl about being rushed!

Well, there's now, for the New Year.

Sincerely with regards to you all.

Chamberlain

Have you a copy of the Philonotis paper? I have two.

Dear C:

Where was your #2367 collected?
Dismier records, as follows: (p23)
"Rh. Is:- St-Francis (Collins 2367)"
under Rh. americana, isn't it wrong?
The above relates to Philonotis
of course,

EBL

Jan 8
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

J H Coleman Esq.
468 Hope St,
Providence. R.I.

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.
Jan. 8, 1911

Dear Chamberlain:-

I hear from Mrs. Durham that the Middle Dam, Maine, moss that I called a form of Polytrichum gracile has been named Var. anomalum by Hagen. Can you give me the reference or other data, or datum, in regard to it?

Am sorry that you could not stop over here on your way to or from Maine. Shall expect a visit from you later when we can talk mosses, etc. Have you got on track of any new books, pamphlets, exsiccati, or other interesting moss matter? How is the Bryologist reorganization coming on? Any interesting gossip floating about New York? How is the camera?

Last term I was so crowded with work that I had absolutely no time for moss work. This term will be easier I expect, and I am in hopes to do some good work on Polytrichum.

I saw Knowlton last Friday night and he told me that you made a short visit with him on your way back from Maine. Did you see Fellows in Portland, and if so did he say anything about the Josselyn Society?

Have you ever had any experience with the corrugated board drying press which is described in the current Rhodora? If not I will say that that article is very conservative in regard to its true merits.

As you will note this letter bristles with question marks.

Almost time for the postman to collect mail at the corner.

Have you heard from Beattie again?

All about as usual here and all send regards.

Cordially,

404 W. 115 St. New City.

Jan. 9, 1911.

Dear Collins:-

Is replying to your note while it is fresh in mind, at least as to points which I did not cover in yesterday's note.

First: I shall plan on Providence for over Lincoln's birthday, if nothing prevents. ~~that will~~ mean leave here on the 3.00 or 5.00 PM train according to the way that schedules work out, and return Monday on the 4.05 PM. I don't know of anything to hinder just now.

The camera is decidedly quiescent, as I was not favored with good weather while in Maine. I wish I had the time & chance to "putter" with the thing, and try to do my own printing. —— I reckon you will understand about the Polytrichum from my letter. Mrs. Dunham evidently misunderstood about named. Jensen never saw a specimen & Hagen is authority for the name.

No, I never tried yo corrugated board, but I think I'd try to its strong points. How do the boards wear & stand banging about? No – hasn't heard a word from Beattie. I am greatly obliged for your memorandum regarding a certain collec

whose herbarium had suffered great losses. N.B. he sent me Musci Mexicani, that were issued over a year ago, 6 months before the catastrophe. — But, I must keep on good terms with the members of the S.M.S. as much as possible in order to get specimens for furriners.

Glad you are to start a bit Jungmoss again. Arnell & Jensen in their Moose des Darekgebietes describe.

" Polyt. urnigerum L. var. subintegrifolium. var nov.

Caespitibus densis et fuscis, foliis brevibus, erectis adpressis, integris vel indistincte dentatis.

Pårtetjåkko, Pelloeppe, Survatjåkko [Lithen he localitées].

"Die neu aufgestellte, eigentümliche Varietät, var. subintegrifolium, die bis 5 cm hoch werden kann, gehört dagegen hauptsächlich der Alpenregion an; nur einmal (Pelloeppe) fanden wir sie in der Birkenregion. Sie wächst auf von Schneewasser durchfeuchteter Erde, so z.B. auf Pårtetjåkko mit Pohlia commutata vergesellschaftet, und wurde von uns nur steril gefunden.

Naturw. Untersuch des Darekgebietes Bd III Lfg 3. page 137. w fig 9.

I enclose tracing of the figure given. The plant may turn up among Katahdin, Washington, or Gaspé material. tho it doesn't seem to be a very "husky" variety.

No news yet from Mrs. Smith about Bryologist more than what I wrote you yesterday.
I may have a few bits to talk over with you just the same, as I soon expect to see her.

Well, here goes for a whole hour for reading! and even a letter to you shan't deprive me of the treat.

Sincerely, or as French say
Tout à vous.
Chamberlain.

Dear C:—

Safer to send mussi Valerii now, "lest I forget"

Will bring Die Moore des Sarek gebietes when I come,

Saw E & B yesterday. She is full fragrance that you talk Polytrichacae with her, then on Mf, I really advise you to see her, but I have also something to say to you on that score also first.

All hunky & busy here. Have Diemer nearly and rough drafted. Regards

Ever
E B C

Jan 21
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Here's your Vermont legends,
I hope ~~they~~ do for locality.

Expect me Feb 10th on the 7.25
unless I let you know to the
contrary, will get grub
en route.

Chamberlain.

Mid years, this year for first
time, Damn em,
they are just over.

Dear Sir

I enclose two scraps which will prove locality. I am especially shy on the Porostichum. You don't happen to have ~~one or~~ two or three sterile bits, of loci diversis, that you could donate do you. I have only 9 in all, and all small. My own supply was long since exhausted. Another locality will do for foreign exchange. All going well here.

Sincerely
E B Ch

Feb. 2.

Dear Co:-

For me all right and had a pleasant trip. Shall have to hustle for a day or two now to make up for having had a mighty pleasant week end with you all.

Sincerely
E B Co.

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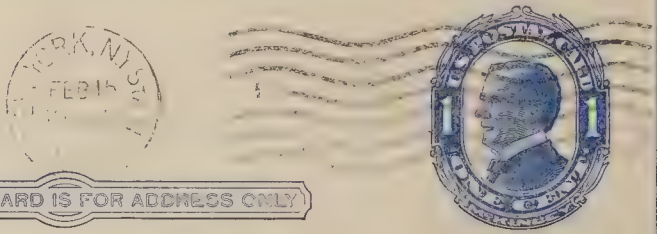

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R. I.

404 W 115 St. N.Y. City.
18 Feb. 1914.

Dear Collins:-

I have just had a talk with the Morrises about costs in Washington, saying that it was for a friend. Both think that all expenses, save travel, books & clothes, will be covered then by $50.00 per month, and Morris thought that it might drop to $40, at times. This was in reference largely to living in the Columbia Heights region, or on 14th St Extended. That street has been carried out a long way since I was in DC, and furnishes a very desirable location.
They also offered to do anything that they could to assist my friend in the matter, by writing to friends in the city, &c.
I hope she will give you some definite basis to work upon. Living in Washington

cheap, compared to this city; but more or less expensive compared to other places. Still I think Morris' figures will be a good estimate. I have not at hand my old cash books, else I would give you a summary of my expenses in some year I was there.

Nothing of special interest going on here, save nasty weather last week. Next Saturday I plan to get to the Garden and look up some of your Polytrichum references in the Library, & forward them as soon as I get them done.

Hope you are all well, and no ~~of~~ unexpected developements coming up.

Cordially,

E. B. Cl.

Dear C:

Are you willing to send me, as a loan, the issue of the Rev. Bretonne from the 19th; vol, which contains Dismer:- Notes sur quelques Phénomènes de l'Amérique du Nord et de l'Europe, It's about page 50.

Sincerely
HBL

Wash. Birthday.

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Prof. J. L. Collins,
468 Hope St.
Providence, R.I.

N.Y. 6, 26. 1911.

Dear C:-

I enclose a lot of Polytrichum material, copied yesterday at the Garden. Frau Britton was not there, so I have no words of love & cheer to give you.

I copied what I could on cards, some was so long that I have it on big sheets, but I think you will be able to make things out. Much of the Lindberg thing. Not, Sällm Fauck Fl. Fennic. I had to get by inference, from the article de Polyt. Europ., You want this p.d.g! It had no note of whence it came, you will have to apply to Miss Day for it. but I think it is the thing referred to by Limpricht. in Laubm II 632.

Neffgarden has a bound vol of separates by Lindberg, from which I copied it, full title is given in my copy. The reprint was advertized in Klinckwick No 67 p 73 for 1 franc. but dated 1868.

The plate from Sturm is colored and

for ~~that~~ reason hard to copy. The leaf is fully as serrate as shown in copy, It must be a tautoactee in nature!

Hope all is satisfactory, All well here.

Will you please send me exact references, page, volume & plate to Philonotis tomentella & P. alpicola given in Roth Europäische Laubmoose?

Sincerely
Chamberlain.

Can you tell me where you are writing from.
Show citations that are [illegible] this is of [illegible]
[illegible] 17th inst

Allen 11

Dear Collins:-

Can you verify the following references for me?

Philonotis tomentella Hedwigia 1906 p 203.

" van borealis p 206.

Ph. caespitosa var laxa p 102 — ? am not sure of page. may be p 202. can you copy descr.

Ph. acutiflora Kdby. Hedwigia 1896 p 67

Ph capillaris Lldy. Hedwigia 1867. p 40.

I particularly wish volume numbers. also complete reference to authority for name, & date.

Can you give me the complete reference to Ph. Arnellii Husnot in Musc. Gall. Dismier does not give volume number & his date may be wrong,

Philibert, Rev. Bry. 1894 p 8 describes a Philonotis, (P. Ryani). can you send me complete reference as to vol. dat, page, &c. (I don't care for descriptions).

I received the copy of No 3. Rev. Bry 1907 OK, but I wanted also Dam vol to include p 68. I think Dismier has two or three [illegible] in that volume. Would you mind loaning them to me for a week or ten days?

Do you know anything about the authority for Ph caespitosa Wilson in Sched, Musc Brit No 287?

Ashton 1910, Lebanon 1873

2.

I can find no trace of it. I know you have some Wilson collections, and a copy of Musc. Brit, in which he may say something. Lindl. cht gives a reference to Milde Bryol Siles. which is OK, but leads to nothing. Curiously, Limpricht, also gives no volume number for R. Arnellii St en. Musc Germ. p268. Aren't there 2 volumes to that book?

Can you throw any light as to why Pl. sphaericuspa is quoted (Swartz) Brid. when the earliest Swartz reference (dates) is 1835. The name Minium Sphaericuspum occurs in Hedw. Musc Frond iii 93 (1792) & I am not wrong, & the Ind Bry Ed 2, gives this as synonym, as does Bridel Bryol Univ ii. 25. There is a Bryum Sphaericum Swartz mentioned without date by most books.

I trust I am not imposing too much upon you. The d—d article is typewritten and must deny, save for a dozen or 15 references.

As usual, with regards to all,

E.B.C.

404 W. 115 St. N.Y.

Mch 6. 1911.

You send at hand. Yes, you thanked me for the Polytrichum notes. It really was not much trouble to do it, and I'm always glad of an excuse to spend a day mycologizing. Did you note the error in the last Bryologia, p42, above Dicranum Ill. 7-14. The names seem interchanged. Inquiry from your section has been so ill, poor thing, now glad I am to learn that she is better. Glad you had a peek at Lindberg's Polyt article. You see how impossible it was to copy it, and how I hope you need it.

Yesterday I learned of a copy of Hooker, Musci Exot. (Vol I only to be sure) for $2.50 colored plates, I ordered it p.d.g. It's worth taking a chance on.

Cordially,

E. B. Ch.

Mch. 7. 1911

Ithaca, N. Y.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence
R.I.

Mar 9. 1911.

Dear C

Yes: you did send me the Roch; references OK but thanks just the same for the second sending of the same. They serve to check the first. Roch Ainsworthiop. Lamb name Lig 8, just at hand, also the Hooker of which I write, the latter in good shape. Hope your mother is better.

Sincerely

C.

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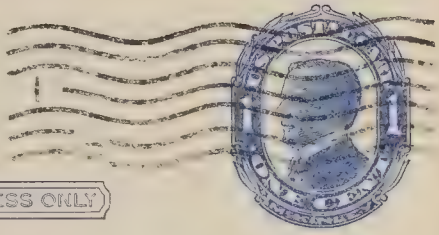

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Prof. J. D. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R. I.

Mar. 11, 1911

Dear Chamberlain:-

I am sending at this time three issues of the Revue Bryologique which may be of use to you. I am also sending such information on the other points as I have been able to get hold of. Unfortunately we have at the University only the copies of Hedwigia prior to 1873, consequently I was able to look up only one of the Hedwigia references.

According to present plans I expect to start for Lancaster, Pa. direct, via Str. Maryland route, on Wednesday or Thrusday of the coming week, and get back to New York (probably Grand Union Hotel) again on Thursday or Friday of the following week, in all probability to stay over Sunday, Mar. 26. I am not certain of these dates, however, at the present time, though I shall try to hold to them if possible.

Mother is about again and seems to be gaining slowly but steadily.

Cordially,

Dear Cb:

The references & the copies of the Revue have arrived OK. Thanks, muchly, merely them I have time to write. Now, Glad your mother's health is improving.

Regards to all

E.H.C.

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Prof. J. F. Collins
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Pa.

PROVIDENCE R.I.
MAR 11
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Providence, R.I.

New York, _____ 19

Dear J. Tho.

I'm sorry I did not find you this evening, If hang around a moment longer, in case you may come in. When I wrote you I didn't think that I had an engagement for 3.15 Sunday afternoon, So, I'll ask you to come up Sunday forenoon, and spend some time with me, & take dinner, Then I'll ask to be excused and you can stay right there.

Take Broadway subway to 116 St Station, go east on 116 st 1 block, then south on Amsterdam Ave 1 block to 115, then east again on 115. Warren Hall where I am is No. 404 or south side of street nearly over to morningside Ave West. Hope to see you, anytime after 10 o'clock,

Sincerely E B C

Saturday evening.

Sat. April 1/1911
This is no fool
letter.

Dear Collins:

Will you oblige me by sending me the exact title, & date of your copy of Hedwig. Musc Bond. the number of volumes, whether text is in Latin or ~~Eng~~ German, & whether there is any evidence of its being published in parts. — The reason is that while at the Garden today I had occasion to verify a reference, & found their copy wholly different. It is in German, with from 15 20 more pages to the volume than given in Pritzel. No latin anywhere, plates are colored & numbered the same. I got to talking things over with Dr Barnhart & he was

much interested.

The title of their copy, not ill is

Microscopisch-Analytische Beschreibungen und Abbildungen neuer und zweifelhafter Laubmoose, Dritter Band, von D. John Hedwig.

Leipzig 1792. But there is some indication that a portion was published in 1791.

I shall be greatly pleased at any information, the more detailed the better, but there is no hurry.

All well. School closes Thursday, and I leave for East Brad. Pa via Pittsburg at 8.34 that night, returning Sunday night.

Sincerely.

E. A. Rau.

The Influence Parisii Index 3: 334 [illegible]

to "Jen. Sphagnorum Am Prodr. [illegible] p 159" [illegible] p 139. [illegible]

404 West 115 St.

April 11, 1911.

Dear Collins:-

The notes about the Hadwig book came all right and am ever so much obliged to you for taking all the trouble about it.

I am just back from a short trip to East Brady Pa. where I had a fine time for three days in spite of the snow Saturday.

Now I am trying to get the odds and ends of work caught up and to doa little resting as well. This morning the proof for a part of the Philonotis article came to hand. They evidently plan to split it at the key. I have rarely seen so sloppy a proof.

No especial news here to tell you, Hope that you are all well and that your mother has fully recovered from the cold.

As ever,

[illegible]

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.
Apr. 26, 1911.

Dear Chamberlain:

Have you any objection to my using your name on one of the Civil Service blanks that I am filling out to cover the "2nd test" of the "application for examination." I have to give the names of five persons who have a knowledge of my "character, experience, and ability".

I have been having a severe cold for the past four days, but it has not reached the stage where it causes me any little inconvenience. Mother seems to be improving steadily. Edith has, we think, the whooping cough. The Dr. says he cannot tell for certain for some little time yet. She does not feel much sick, except when she has one of the coughing spells, and she goes out when weather is not too bad.

Hope you are in the best of health. Any gossip about?

Cordially.

J.F.C.

404 W. 115 St, N.Y. City,
April 27 1911.

Dear J.T.C.

Your letter at hand. Of course you may refer to me in any capacity you find necessary, regarding red tape or otherwise. I take it that a formal written recommendation need not be sent along. The U.S. government can write for that later. Give my address as the official one. 'The Sachs Collegiate Institute, 38 West 59 St, New York City.' It sounds better and is permanent, for some time anyhow.

Sorry to hear that your frieks yourself are sufferers from colds. But tell Mrs. Jenckes that she is absolutely outrageous. The idea of having an attack of whooping cough at this time of life. I hope all are "on the mend"

I take it you are pretty well decided in your giving up Brown and taking the plant pathology position. When the change actually comes, I shall [illegible]

terested in any gossip you can tell me regarding WWB & WHPF. and their view of the situation. Also, I shall be glad to know who your successor may be. Probably too, you are going to take your "examination", which will be purely formal I suppose. (Know about how these things go). and then be able to say "I can go to a fair pasturage, Nicholas Brown notwithstanding".

There is no news here, save a poor backward spring, which is keeping all vegetation a month late. I had a very quiet vacation, mostly right here at home, save that Friday to Monday were spent in East Brady Penna. I think I wrote you of this before. Since then I have been attending strictly to business save that the past week I have had to be out practically every evening until 11 or 12.30. So I'm tired. Tonight I hope to get in bed in good season.

Well, I hope all goes well.

Sincerely,

E.B. Chamberlain

38 West 59 St. N. Y. City.

19 May, 1911.

Dear Collins:-

I am sending you by the present mail a catalogue that contains an offer of the Lindberg. Obs. de Polytrichaceae Europae. as well as some other interesting items. I wish that I had the a cash availble to purchase the same and others, but for the present, I must let them go. In fact I seriously think that until I geth the time to do some studying on mosses, I had best cut out the buying of books. Sometime I would like the Catalogue back, as it has a good list of things in it for reference.

Have you seen Covilles Bulletin on the blueberry culture ? I had a long talk with him at the meeting of the Washington Biologists' Field Club, which I attenden the 7th of May. The whole th thing is very interesting, especially when taken in connection with Fernald's article on Alpine Plants. By the way, I see by the Evening Post, that there has been a gift of $25000 to the Grey Herbarium for a new library building. Good for them.

Thank you very much for the little pamphlet on the Rhode Island Arbor Day celebration. I recognized the illustrations as some that I saw when in Providence.

Matters are going along rather tamely here, about as they always do towards the end of the year. The school is settling down for the last lap of the race to examinations, and the work is getting more intensive during the day. But there is a little let up on

the general detail for evenings. There will be five weeks more before I start abroad, and I expect to have about every minute filled up with work of some sort or other. There are quite a number of things that must be bought before I start.
Other than work, I have not done a blessed thing worth mentioning, save read proof for the Bryologist. Dr. G. runs things in the accustomed way, and the page proof that I saw was in shocking shape. The worst of it is, that he never thinks it worth while to write w when one sends him either manuscript or proof with questions. Damn him, anyway.

Mrs. Smith is hard at work upon a checklist of the North American Mosses, something like the one that Nicholson issued for the European side of the question. I think that her list is to represent a pure compilation from Paris, Engler and Prantl, and the others. I have not heard much about it, save that she is very busy over it. Others on the hepaticae and the lichens are to follow I think.

How do things go concerning the Plant Pathology Bureau, or has all been quiet of late? I had the pleasure of meeting Bartlett when I was at the Field Club meeting, and he wished to be remembered to you.

Well, there is not very much here that I can find to say tonight, I am trying to get a lot of letters run off anyway, this evening, Hope you are all well and enjoying cooler weather than we are here.

Regards to you all,

E B Chamberlain

BROWN UNIVERSITY
PROVIDENCE

June 28,1911

To whom this may concern:

This is to certify that Mr. Edward B. Chamberlain was formerly, for two years, an assistant of mine in Brown University. During this time I had abundant opportunity to become intimately acquainted with him in a personal as well as a professional way. I can say with a clear conscience that he was an excellent all round scholar and gave great promise as a teacher and disciplinarian; a promise that I have every reason to believe has been fully realized in his later work elsewhere, after leaving Brown.

To the best of my knowledge and belief he has an excellent moral character, and is reliable and painstaking in his work.

Very truly,

In charge of the
Botanical Department.

Dear Collins:-

I quite forgot that I had not sent you my summer address. It will be

c/o Kleinwort Sons & Co,
(5 cts). 20 Fenchurch St. E.C.
London

who will forward to me on the continent. I go to Deal N.J. tomorrow to join the boys, & sail Tuesday at 10 AM. We return, on Aug 29 sailing from Bremen, so letters will not reach me if mailed in this country later than Aug 13th. I'll try to write you while on the steamer going over, and shall hope to hear from you, and know how things stand, whether you will be in Brown another year or not

Have been busy as can be all this week, or should have scribbled sooner,

Sincerest regards to you all,

E B Chamberlain.

June 22, 1911.

ZERMATT & GORNERGRAT · HOTELS GINDRAUX

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LUMIERE ELECTRIQUE CHAUFFAGE CENTRAL
GRAND RESTAURANT
PANORAMA GRANDIOSE
RÉPUTATION UNIVERSELLE

Gornergrat, le 17 July 1911

Dear Collins:-

I am writing this just after sunset, at what is claimed to be the highest hotel in Europe, you can see by the "ad." above that we are ~~nearly~~ over 10000 ft above sea level. Anyhow we are on a barren and desolate knob of disintegrated rock, way above the vegetation in any ordinary sense, tho I have seen across a few straggling grasses and alpine gentians, Linaria alpina, Chrysanthemum alpinum, &c near here. There are still snowfields below us and all around the house. It's cold, cold but the view is magnificent. I have scribbled the names of the various peaks on the head of the letter paper, which shows the panorama to the south, or Italian frontier, all the foreground being filled with the great Gornor glacier which comes down from the heights to the North of Monterosa, from the Cima di Jazzi.

We walked up here from Zermatt in 4½ hours this morning, leaving at 7.15 All have stood it well, tho I have a slight lameness in a tendon, and a sore toe, nothing serious. The climb is hard, over 5000 feet ascent I think (no sum) the woods below then open meadows carpeted with the most wonderful flowers which I have no time to examine, violets as big & as blue as pansies, pink, & cream, red astragalus, yellow potentillas, deep blue gentians, purple Linaria alpina &c. I wish I had a week to spend in this neighbourhood watching the mountains, for the view to the north is equally fine. I didn't bring the

camera upher, for the two pounds extra weight is a good deal. I prefer to get the beautiful postcards, which give better views as a rule. We have had a very good trip thus far; tho the boys at times try my patience, yet they are never bad. The only trouble is that we are going too fast. They can't see it, but it is true. We were three days in London, one being spent at Oxford, ditto in Paris, of which I saw but little, since it was very very hot. I did hunt up a few things in the Louvre, and visit Notre Dame & Versailles. Then a whole day's travel (10 hours) took us to Geneva. A charming city to which one day only was allotted. Half of that being spent in shopping. That afternoon our party & the boys and I took a sail on Lake Geneva. The boats there are curious high bowed, ship felucca rigged like those seen in pictures of Venice, with red or orange canvas.

The day following in the forenoon to Chamounix, where in the afternoon I took the boys to the Glacier de Bossons, which is crossed by many tourists each day. The next day by Cog rail to Montanvers, overlooking the Mer de Glace, and many peaks of the Mont Blanc range. Next day, we walked over a pass called the Col de Balme (7100 ft.) to Trient, thence by road over the Tête Noire to Chatelard, & by electric road, along the fine gorge of the Dranse to Martigny. Yesterday we came to Zermatt, & today up here. Tomorrow we are awaked at 4:15 for the sunrise, (expect it will be cold as the pole) go to Zermatt by Cog rail road, & the next day start for Bad Leuk, to walk thence over the Gemmi pass.

The whole trip is being made so rapidly that I have very little time to really see things. Besides I have

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the various arrangements and nurse duty to do which take up time. But sometime, if I can save the money I'll come again, to England anyhow, and have a nice time alone or with one congenial companion, & tramp it afoot, and see things. Never again will I travel in charge of boys, tho it might be worse.

Not a chance have I had for botany or mosses, tho I notice that all the Pogonatum alpinum has shorter thicker capsules than ours, like your European specimens. By the way I have bought a big lot of exsiccati (pray they arrive OK), including Drummond's Musci Americani Exsiccati. We write you of them in autumn.

Hope you are having a pleasant summer even if it is a busy one, we hear dreadful reports of the heat here that has been in America, but I expect it is exaggerated. You are busy I suppose on Chestnut disease and have all you can do, but if you can find time drop me a line before Aug 10th, send c/o Kleinwort Sons & Co, 20 Fenchurch St. E.C. London, and it will reach me.

Wish I had time to tell you about,

The curious things I see here, as for example a sign reading,
"Joallerie du Pauvre Diable," or
"Feed your dogs Molassine & keep them healthy." Or the signs in London,
"Street trams stop here if requested."
How kind of them!

But it draws along towards nine o'clock and I must turn in to be up early tomorrow.

Regards to all of you,

E. B. Chamberlain.

Grand Hotel St Moritz,
St Moritz-Dorf
Direction C. Rueck

Aug 2. 1911.

Dear Collins:-

I have just received a letter enclosing a clipping from the Providence Evening Bulletin, giving an account of your career, &c, with the announcement of your resignation in the University. May good luck follow you in your new work, and freedom from the many petty annoyances that there have been at Brown. I hope you may never have cause to regret the change.

I have often wished this summer that you might be along; just us two, roaming around these flower-strown meadows, and bare peaks, for I have never in all my life seen the profusion of blossoms that exists here in the higher pastures. I have been unable, through lack of time to identify many of them, or to do more than bestow a passing glance upon them, for the speed at which we have to travel forbids any leisure, and I must first look out for my boys. The same reason, and the hot dry weather has rendered micro-collecting rather a difficult task, but I have a few Polytricha & Bryonates for you. Certainly. P. alpinum here is not ours in Limnia, it looks fatter to use the phrase of the boys, with a thicker shorter capsule, Otherwise I see no external difference. The enclosed may still be green when it reaches you. Locality is "moist woods, above of St. Moritz-See, Engadine, Switzerland alt 6000 ft, July 31. 1911" (I have more for you).

Since I last wrote you we have done the biggest part of our tramping and have seen some of the grandest Grisscenery. After the night at the Gornergrat, where I wrote you last, we returned to Zermatt, and then went to Loèche-les-Bains, from there crossing the Gemmi pass and into the Bernese Oberland, thence to Interlaken. The Gemmi is one of the hardest climbs I have ever attempted, two miles of steep zigzag path, up the desolate face of almost perpendicular cliffs, under a broiling sun. The path overhangs itself in places, (tho everywhere 4 feet wide and well made), going up by windings out over the face of a spur between two steep ravines. The climb gains one about 1500 feet in altitude, coming out upon a high alpine pasturage, which was white with Dryas octopetala. Then about four miles down this gently sloping valley, [illegible]

snow peaks all around, and a very steep descent through fir woods to the deep narrow Kandersteg valley. I wish I could make it again, with plenty of time, and the chance to wander around.

After four days at Interlaken, where we found very hot weather, we started on foot for Disentis, some 60 miles away, making it in four days. First by steamer and train to Meiringen, then up the Hasli valley and over the Grimsel pass, where the snow was 10 feet deep along the road, thence down to Gletsch, up the Furka pass and down to Andermatt and [illegible] over the Oberalp pass to Disentis. It is all good road tramping, with many shortcuts, but tiring, as the climbs up the passes frequently are at 40° gradients on the foot paths, and the rise from the valley may be 1000 to 2000 ft. From the Grimsel Hospice (6055 ft) to the top of the pass (7103 ft) is only a trifle over a mile in a straight line, then down to Gletsch (5750 ft) is about 1½ miles more. The Oberalp pass is 6750 and the Furka, 7990 ft. but in each case the scenery is totally different. The Grimsel is desolate & wild, with steep, bare rocks, and much snow, not a thing in sight, as we are far above the treeline, as are the others we cross above the trees, but the passes are less in the nature of gorges, and more open pasture land. From the Oberalp pass you look down into the fertile valley of the Vorderrhein, where the lower slopes are clothed with spruce & larch forests. All the upper slopes are bare, but far more sharply cut and jagged than in Western Switzerland, looking like immense rows of broken saw teeth.

Here at St. Moritz, where we are 6000 ft up, we met the father & mother of the Goldman boys, and shall stay here some 10 days, leaving next Monday, & cross the Bernina pass into Italy, (7640 ft) and then into Austria over the Stelvio pass (9050 ft) After that we return to Lucerne for a few days, and then go to Germany, sailing so as to be in New York on Sept 5th. This is a delightful place, if only we didn't have to be in a big hotel, where all is formality. We have to dress for dinner (at 8 PM) each day, and there is innumerable fuss and bother. The village straggles off up the hill, beside the small lake, and is everywhere surrounded by the sharp peaks of the alps, from 8-1000 ft high, where you look, patches of snow are visible, and bare desolate summits.

I'm having a fine fine summer, tho I wish that I may not be in such work next summer. Just now, I am throwing off responsibility and resting but I do, at times, long for a chance to be utterly free from the sight of any boys, whatever. Your tastes and mine are utterly different, and it wears on me at times very much. Well, I must close this now, and get some other work done, for this is my last chance. Hope you are all well, and having a fine time. Mutual personal regards to all.

Yours, [illegible]

HOTELS BUCHER-DURRER:
SEMIRAMIS HÔTEL LE CAIRE
GRAND HOTEL DU QUIRINAL, ROME
GRAND HOTEL MÉDITERRANÉE
PEGLI près GÊNES
PALACE HÔTEL, MILAN
GRAND HOTEL et LUGANO PALACE
LUGANO -
PALACE HÔTEL LUCERNE
LES HOTELS DU BURGENSTOCK
HÔTEL STANSERHORN près LUCERNE

Palace
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LUCERNE

Le 21 Aug 1911. 191

Dear Collins:-

I am writing my last letter from abroad, to be sure to catch the steamer on Wednesday. Up to here, all has gone along swimmingly, no troubles delays or anything. But here, when we arrived a week ago Saturday things went wrong. My oldest boy came down with a severe attack of haemorrhoids, and has been abed for some 5 days. He was taken Tuesday but didn't know what was the matter, and didn't tell me until the afternoon late, after waiting all day. So it has been more serious. Fortunately I had a fine doctor at once, and he kept the confidence of his parents, apparently.

We hope to leave here the day after tomorrow, but the remainder of our trip has been cut down badly. Praise the Lord, it is over with on Sept 5th. I shall be glad as soon as I see the kids safe at home, which means landed in New York, and on their way to their respective homes. Then there will be 2½ weeks before the opening of school in which I shall rest. I go down to Yaphank on Long Island for part of the time, and just vegetate. I hope to leave Dewey pk by the 8th Sept, and not return until the 21st or 22d.

The whole trip to here was fine, especially the halfday and night spent on top of the Stelvio pass, 9000 feet or more up. Then I had the finest view of glac. mountain peaks in every direction for 50 or 100 miles, and big glaciers which turned pink in the light of the setting sun. It was a hard climb up. The road is 10 miles long from Muori Bagni, where we started, and tho we took all short cuts, we were 4½ hours going up. Such crossings, zig zag parts, and winding I have never seen. At times the road, which is wide & macadamized & fine (automobiles go over constantly) is actually cut into the cliff face, or tunnelled to avoid avalanches.

To be sure the kids want to travel too fast, but, I manage to see something anyhow. I think I have Polyst. sexangulare, at least some species I have never before seen, fern just above the summit of the pass, at the edge

of the melting snows. Snow is all around, even along side the road for the last mile. Then once you cross the pass, the Grafin valley opens, almost a sheer descent of 5000 feet, from the opposite side of which the Ortler rises 10000 feet (nearly) above the valley floor. It is a perfectly stupendous sight. So steep is it that one almost has to slide down the cross paths. Yet we made it in 1½ hours with cross cuts, to 8 miles by road, which you let's do.

Now only a week more remains to be spent in this country, mostly in Germany, and I fear we shall have to be very quiet to nurse my charge.

Going to Frankfurt Wednesday, we shall remain there Thursday and perhaps Friday, going on thro' to Bremen Saturday. Then two busy days to get ready for the steamer Tuesday, and after that a week on the ocean.

Drop me a note to Hotel W. 115 St, C/o C.M. Dougherty, so that I may know your whereabouts and doings when I get back, then I'll try to write a long letter that won't have to be interrupted all the time.

Hope you are all well,
With my best regards to you all,
Sincerely. Tremaintain

Chamberlain —

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No, I remember, there was not [illegible] time. When I left home the last of June I thought I had [illegible] but could not find it, ~~I supposed~~ that did not [illegible] as I supposed ~~that~~ I should get a letter ~~before~~ you soon or, at any rates I should get back to Providence in time to write you. ~~When~~ after I found your address. I was greatly delayed on my return trip and did not get back to Providence again until last Saturday (Aug. 26). There I found two letters from you (from Somerset and from St Louis) and yesterday another came from Lexington. My cousin Mrs. Robert Collins, (whom you met at our house some time ago) was ~~there~~ in Providence ~~when~~ I came and enjoyed your three letters very much. You will see

404 West 115 St. NY City.
Sept 6. 1911

Dear Collins:-

I'm just dropping a line to you before breakfast today, so as to catch you at your Penna. address.

Arrived safely yesterday, after a rough trip, with only one day of really pleasant weather. Personally I rejoiced in the roughness, but the majority of the passengers didn't.

I left my boys in the arms of their friends on the pier yesterday and hurried home. Then I got the usual odds and ends of things done around the house, and am now ready to go down to school this morning and see how things are there. My time is my own until Sept 25th and I expect to enjoy myself greatly, don't know where I shall be, but likely enough here in the city until Saturday anyhow.

Not very much happened on the

trip after leaving Lucerne, the boy came out all right and now is as well as ever. We spent a day in Frankfort Ger, and two and a half in Berlin, then one in Bremen and sailed the 29th of August.

I am mighty glad that all passed off nicely about the leaving Brown, your successor, Dr York I know slightly, having met him while in Washington. He is a very decent chap, I think.

There, that's all I have time for just now. I must now scale out for my breakfast and be ready to start for down town, as there are a heap of errands to do and I am due in Brooklyn this afternoon, to see Mr Morris. And all mail to 404 W. 115 St for the present. Regards to all the Providence folks when you write. Sincerely, E. B. Chamberlain.

404 W. 115 St,
Oct. 1, Sunday.

Dear Collins,

Shall be at home ~~tomorrow~~ evening (Monday) for sure, and probably Tuesday. Plan to come up Monday evening if you can, and then we can plan up a lot for things. Have several things to show you and to talk over.

All flourishing,

E. B. Ch.

404 West 115th St.
Oct 3.

Dear C,

Where are you, by likely to be at home nights this week as I have a ...h-l of a cold. Telephone around 5.30 PM and come up Wednight if you can.

Teleph is 3570 Morningside ask for Apt 24 (C.M. Dougherty)

EBC

OCT 4 1911

NEW YORK, N.Y. STA. H
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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS ONLY

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Prof J. P. Collins,
Grand Union Hotel,
New York City.

40 W. 115 St. N.Y. City.
17 Oct. 1911.

Dear Collins:

Would you mind dropping me a postal as to when you received your last fascicle of Rosicrucati from Holpuger and the numbers (inclusive) of the specimens therein? I suspect one has come during the summer.

All goes on quietly here, about as usual. Last Saturday I was up at Van Cortlandt Park, and in the woods towards the river, along Jerome Ave near 237th St, are many dead chestnuts, which show the wood exfoliating to a better extent than your forest park trees. The Ch's there seem to be making a fierce struggle to keep going, many showing new shoots ten or 15 feet above the ground. I didn't notice especially but should think 50% showed some shoots. I was on the hunt for Cathaminea angustata, and got 50 specimens in young fruit, for our English friends. It will be for either next spring of course.

No other news worth mentioning here, save the intense excitement over the baseball championship

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series, which is a little outside my line. Haven't had a chance to play away at Sphagnum since you left save one afternoon. The thing agrees with Sph. inundatum in all but size. That feature is strongly like Sph. subsecuns. Next Sunday, or rather next Friday to Sunday, I shall be at New Canaan Conn. with Mr. Hall.

Have just heard from Norton in Portland, about the Jesup Soc. He & Miss Fairbrothers were about the only old members. Wade & Bissell showed up, also Orkings for a part of one day. They found several varities, (the moss from the region) and one or two new things (Crantzia lineata for example). Norton evidently didn't say all that was on his mind, but I gather that he is quite disgusted and that J. B. S. stands for Mr. Bean Suffocated.

No other especial news. Regards to you all.

E.B.C.

can you ~~send~~ give some notes for the Tree Chap meeting in Dec.

Oct 28. 1911

Dear J.T.C.

I think that the enclosed is Grimmia confecta. At least the cells are from 8-10μ. and the teeth, even if not very cribrose and broken in the specimen I examined, are only about 30μ long. The term Bryophytes key seems to be off its base in the descriptive part where it gives the cell measurements. Limpricht, Warnstorff and Limpricht, both give the exact reverse, for the two species.

Had a good time at New Canaan in spite of shady rainy weather. Took one or two walks, and got a good outlook on the misty valley. The chestnut disease is bad there, fully 75% of the trees half dead, but some show remarkable vitality, and one good specimen of American Chestnut (I think) seemed absolutely untouched amid the waste. This was in the wooded portion surrounding Hoyt's Nursery, and there is a chance that the tree is not an American species.

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Do you have any recollection of a history of British botanists? I think I once saw such a volume at Brown. I'm looking for data bearing on the life and travels of Thomas Drummond of Forfar Scotland. Do you know even approximately when the scamp died? I have found mention of him in Sir John Franklin's account of his 2d voyage, but not as yet very much detail. I can get that book at any time in the reference dept. of the N.Y. Public Lib. but I believe that the work cannot be taken out, Even as a teacher, I probably can't, but I may be able to work some dodge on them, in that direction. There ought to be something about him in the British botanical journals if I can only strike the right date, does your card catalogue cover such things?

If you have a copy of Britton's list of the North American Flora, will you please

or Franklin & Richardson,

glance at it, to see whether he lists a work by Sir J.D. Hooker (Sr): on the results of Sir John Franklin's 2d voyage, publ about 1825-7. So far I have only found that there is such a work. I hope on Tuesday or Thursday to patronize the Library again! go over their card index. There is nothing under Drummond, for I've looked.

No especial news, save another lecture of Grant; Musc Plant. North American, mostly collections by Jewett.

Regards to you all, must now go to bed, as I've walked about 8 miles today and feel tired

Yours

E.B.C.

468 Hope Street,
Providence, R.I.

30 Oct. 1911

Dear Chamberlain:-

Your letter of the 28th is at hand. Thanks for the Grimmai.. Am glad to get it. Am glad too that you had a fine time on the Conn. trip.

In regard to Thomas Drummond I think I can give you some references, thanks to Preston. InHooker's Journal of Botany (1834--1842) there are several articles about Drummond and his mosses, mainly his southern mosses. I have a copy of this work in 4 vols. The references are Vol. 1, p.50 & 183; Vol.2, pl 438; Vol. 3, p.302 & 433; VOl. 4, p. 72. Some of these references are merely annonncements of the appearance of his moss sets, etc.

Drummond died in 1835, in Havana.

I suspect that one of the best and most complete accounts of his life will be found in the Dictionary of National Biography, Vol. xvi;41. I think this reference is to the older edition in 60 volumes. He was assistant naturalist on Sir John Franklin's second land expedition (1825), and later collected in the southern states, particularly in Texas.

I understand there is probably a good account of him in ~~Bti~~ Britten's English and Irish Naturalists. Also in Appleton's Dictionary of American Biography. See also Goode Brown's Beginnings of Natural History in America; Brendel's Historical Sketch of the Progress of Botany in North America in American Naturalist (in two different numbers)

I do not have a copy of Britton's local flora list.

Hope the above will help you out. I think all of these works will be found in the library.

Nothing special doing here

Connecticut is certainly badly hit with the chestnut disease, particularly in the southwestern part, the worst of it is that the authorities there are probably not intending to do anything about it. This will mean, in all probability, that it will be useless to do anything in Rhode Island about it, even if R. I. had any money to do anything, which she has not I believe.

~~Cordially~~ Cordially,

Oct 31, 1911, 454 W. 115 St, N.Y.City.

Dear C:—

Thanks very much to you and to Mr. Preston for the ample list of references to Thos. Drummond, Britten, Engl & Irish Naturalists was the book I had in mind. I already knew of the Dict. Natl Biog. but the Articles by Goode Brown and Brendel were wholly unknown. The date of D's death, too, is very helpful, as it fixes approximately the time when one should look for his obituaries.

All goes on about as usual, otherwise, in this burg. Have written Holzinger to pen about the missing fascicle of mosses. Sincere regards to you all,

Chamberlain.

NEW YORK, N.Y. STA H
OCT 31
10-PM

THIS SIDE OF CARD FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence.
R.I.

404 W. 115 St. N.Y.City.
Nov. 16, 1911.

Dear Collins:-

Your postal and the Weg catalogue came safely today. I'm mighty sorry to learn that Mr. Jenkins gets along so poorly. Please let him know of my sympathy. I hope a turn for the better may soon occur.

This is largely to ask that for the present any mail be sent to the 38 W. 59th address. Mrs. Dougherty, my landlady, is seriously ill. It may be in her last illness. I have made arrangements to move out on very short notice, as far as my smaller belongings go. But as long as the girls are alone here, Grace for their cousin from Philadelphia, and want me to stay, I have remained. — but I have a chance where I can go on 118th St, at an hour's notice, with a friend of the Doughertys. So, things are very unsettled. For the past two days Mrs. D. has been slightly better, and we are correspondingly discouraged. But, there is no knowing what turn things may take. Heart disease & some liver trouble combined mean a very serious case, you know.

Can you suggest anything that will keep the question of Bryologist editorship, from? it is rather impossible, and also his wife is ill in Vermont. He would not be averse to ~~taking~~ giving it up. Mrs. B. has appealed to me for ideas but I am pretty well stumped. Shall be glad of a line from you on the subject, even if it is only to say that you "don't know."

Sincerely C.R.C.

38 W. 59 St.
N.Y. City.
Nov 20. 1911.

Dear C:-

Thanks for your card; the Bryologist situation, which you sum up is exactly my idea. I don't see another soul besides myself, and I don't dare take it. Where the time would come from, [illegible] I cannot imagine. I can't give up time from my real biological brother work, — and there you are. I don't know what to say to [illegible] which, after all.

All as usual here; no changes yet, and best regards.

E.B.L.

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THIS SIDE OF CARD FOR ADDRESS ONLY

Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence,
R.I.

Thanksgiving Day.
404 W. 115 St. N.Y. City.

Dear C:

Will you verify the following references for me.

Amblystegium adnatum. (Hedw). } & S. Ad. ii: 547. (1877-78)
Hypnum adnatum. Hedw Sp. Musc. 248. t. 64. } (1801).
C Müll. Syn. ii: 339. (1851)

I'd like the exact date of the part of the Adumbratio, if you have it. I know you have the books at elbow, and it will save me a trip to the Bronx. The cause for the query is seen in Bryol. xi: 5. where Nichols credits the combination Amblystegium adnatum to Mac. Cat. 210: 1892. This may be all right, but I had the idea that the combination was made before.

Just now I am getting in some much needed in arx work, and hope to get the Bryologist up to date during this vacation. Things here remain about the same. Mrs D. still holds her strength, and save for her heart, keeps up her vitality wonderfully.

I shall see you in Washington, I hope, and shall hope that you will have some spare time. If a suitable day

comes, Morris and I plan on a trip to Plummer's Island. (Field Club), and I hope you will be able to go along. It all depends on the weather. My Washington address will be 1830 Jefferson Place, my old room, where I shall be for the few days I am there.

I have a bit of news. Through Miss Clark, I heard of a place in the Am. Museum of Natural History, this city, I looked it up. I have decided against it, tho have not written them as yet. It was as Assistant Curator of Education, in charge of the work with the public schools, lectures to children, travelling collections &c. The more I thought it over the less the work has appealed to me. Geo. S. Sherwood, formerly of Brown, is acting Curator in addition to his work as Asst. Secy. The place would undoubtedly mean a curatorship in time, if I succeeded. But there are only 3 weeks vacation; he offered me $1200! which he raised to a possible $1500 when I told him my present place was worth

$2000, and stated that I could probably be sure of $2000 the second year. If I go into museum work, I prefer to get wholly botanical lines, not a combination of pedagogy, nature study, and zoology, and at least a reasonable remuneration.

The future of the school is a trifle doubtful, as we must soon leave 59th St, but it seems fairly good, and I prefer to remain for the present. Even if things do go hard, (and the present position is against us) I shall be little worse off, and shall have my summer vacations, when I can always get work, of some kind, if I want it, enough to pay expenses.

Well, here's enough gossip for now.

Regards to you all, and my best wishes.

E B Chamberlain

Dear C:-

Thanks for your postal, with the information about Amblystegiella adnata. The ~~article~~ note was to correct Bryol. XI: 5, as I think I wrote you. This is the third, and most serious, error I have detected in N's work, two are in Bryosch. Conn. and of these I have grieved in letter to him.

The other case I have been running down is Bryol. X. 90. Platydiscium repens, which should be Platygyrium repens, fide postal rec'd from Jmtt. today. The index to the vol. p7. calls the critter, Platygyrium repans.!! This last is repeated in the 'Index Year Bk.'

Sincerely,

E. B. Sch.

Dec 4. 1911.

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1 C

Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St,
Providence, R.I.

Dear C:

The enclosed correspondence is from Weigel, and will I think explain itself. I have twice written him that I do not feel able to buy the collection, expense considered, (Of course I'd like it). Yet I would like your opinion upon its value. Do you know of anyone who would like to purchase it?

All as usual here.

Sincerely E B Ch

Dec 6, 1911.

Dear C.:

Thanks for your information regarding the Henry Maly collection. You hit my idea exactly. It's not rare, H. Maly I never heard of, there is no decided group of exsiccatae, and I have no spare cash. Yesterday was at the Garden, and delved in old copies of the Bot Mag. By the way, would you mind, sending me vol. I of Hooker's Journal of Bot. (1834) (you have it I think). I'll pay all charges, register it if you think best. I haven't time just now to copy some things, and judge upon want use it the next fortnight. Don't hesitate to say no, if you think it too valuable to send.

Sincerely,

E B Chr

Dec. 11, 1911.

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Prof. J. F. Collins,
468 Hope St.,
Providence,
R.I.

HOQ Nr. 115 St. Louis City,
Dec 12, 1911.

Dear Collins:-

The volume of Hooker came today, safely. Thanks very much for it. I'll keep it for a while anyhow, as there are quite a few things in it which I want as notes, &c.

Shall hope to see you week after next in Washington. I shall go down the 26th or the 27th, drop me a line as to what your address will be, care, Mrs. P B Reading. 1830 Jefferson Place N.W.

Jeff Pl. is a short street, between 18th & 19th Sts NW, starting where 18th St crosses Conn. Ave. No. news.

Suppose you have already seen by the papers that J D Hooker of Kew is dead, aged 95 yrs.

Sincerely
E B Ch.